

Role summary

Role: **Farm Support & Network Manager**
(including Regional Manager responsibilities)

Location: Home based with travel and flexible working expected

Hours: Part-time (approx. 17.5 hrs a week) (flexibility required)

Contract: One year fixed term contract (renewable)

Reporting to: Chief Executive Officer

Date Prepared: July 2021

We are recruiting a Farm Support & Network Manager reporting to the CEO. You will be part of the FCN senior management team at the national office in FCN, leading on farming issues and with grassroots knowledge of impacts of changing policies, transition and other issues e.g. TB etc. This role will require first-hand farm experience and will help to steer FCN in terms of support and networks that need to be established at either local or regional levels e.g. Farm Unions, local authorities, vet practices, cattle passport authorities etc.

You will also have Regional Manager responsibilities, helping to build, support and establish sustainable healthy local FCN volunteer groups. Your role will include supporting FCN volunteer groups as well as providing a model of best practice that can be shared more widely with FCN staff and other Regional Managers.

Principal Tasks:

- Identify and develop essential networking opportunities for FCN at both a regional and national level.
- Highlight key issues that are causing current (or potential) stress among farmers and farm families and make recommendations as to how FCN can respond and support.
- Continuing to develop networks and good working relationships with other organisations and key stakeholders including other charities and industry organisations, building upon existing relationships and forging new ones.
- Initiate and nurture networking opportunities and share best practice of support across the organisation.
- Supporting, motivating and inspiring volunteer groups in your region and helping to develop the reputation of FCN across the area.

For a copy of the complete job description including essential criteria please email debbie@fcn.org.uk.

To apply for this role please send a CV and an expression of interest letter highlighting how you meet the criteria **by 1 August**.

Please note Support Officer and Development Officer roles will be advertised following appointment of management roles and positions.