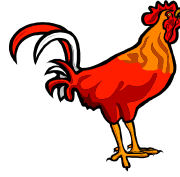


Bath City Farm Green Life Skills Programme



This is a 10-week practical course for learners to develop back to work skills within a farm setting. It is funded by the Southwest Foundation through the European Social Fund.

Run along side the farm's regular volunteering programme, participants will attend for 1½ days per week. One day (Monday) will be completely activity based (animal care, gardening, conservation work or site maintenance) the other half day (Wednesday morning) will concentrate on planning, signposting, supervision and skills taster sessions. The group will carry out a small project on the farm. They will have a budget of £250 to spend on materials and will be supported in planning, budgeting and carrying out risk assessments for the task. Participants will gain practical skills such as tool use, animal care, basic horticulture, environmental conservation plus budgeting and basic project planning. They will also gain functional and soft skills that are transferable such as literacy, timekeeping, team -working, and self-motivation.

Who is it for?

The course is for individuals who would like to take the first steps into getting in employment. Participants must be unemployed or working less than 16 hours a week. Anyone who will benefit under this programme must not be currently benefiting from an European Social Fund training or support programme. This includes New Deal, though they can benefit if coming to the end of the process and this is part of the 'moving on' process.

When is it?

The farm will be running four 10-week programmes over the course of a year.

	Start Date	End Date
Programme one	1 st July 2009	2 nd September 2009
Programme two	7 th October 2009	9 th December 2009
Programme three	27 th January 2010	31 st March 2010
Programme four	14 th April 2010	23 rd June 2010

The times are every Monday (except bank holidays) 10am – 3pm, every Wednesday 10am – 12.30pm

To book onto the course or for more information contact Helen Lerwill on 01225 481269 or email admin@bathcityfarm.freeserve.co.uk