



Title of Post:	Climate Change Officer
Responsible to:	The Parish Minister, Granton Parish Church
Period of employment:	Fixed-term 1 st May 2018 – 31 st March 2019
Hours:	22.5 hours per week (3 days)
Salary:	£18,278 pro rata
Main Purpose of Post:	To work alongside the ministry team, Kirk Session and volunteer Eco Ambassador on the Granton Goes Greener project, which aims to create a lasting legacy of reduced CO2 emissions in the church and in the wider Granton community.

Background to the post

A new and exciting opportunity has arisen for a self-motivated and enthusiastic individual to make an impact in reducing the carbon footprint of the local community of Granton.

Last year Granton Parish Church became an Eco Congregation, joining a worldwide movement which helps churches make the link between environmental issues, Christian faith and demonstrating our own commitment to better stewardship of the earth's resources. We appointed a voluntary Eco Ambassador and began to undertake challenges which would both facilitate a better understanding of the need to tackle climate change and encourage simple shifts in behaviour. In taking this step, we also wanted to look at ways we could reduce CO2 emissions within our existing buildings and at working with the local community of Granton to 'Go Greener'.

This fixed-term post is funded through the Scottish Government's Climate Challenge Fund and the European Regional Development Fund. The post-holder will support Granton Parish Church in working towards defined outcomes which will reduce CO2 emissions in the church building itself and through changing attitudes and behaviours in the wider community.

The post-holder will be expected to recruit and train volunteers who can continue the Granton Goes Greener project beyond the lifetime of the grant.

The post-holder will be based at Granton Parish Church office, 55 Boswall Parkway, but will be expected to work in various locations within the area as part of the community engagement role. Some weekend and evening work will be integral to this post.

Holiday entitlement is 6 weeks (pro rata) the period during which holidays may be taken being at the discretion of the Kirk Session.

This post will require membership of the Disclosure Scotland PVG Scheme.

Main Duties

Build on existing relationships with local community groups to encourage conversations about climate change.	
Work alongside volunteers to establish the initiatives identified in our Climate Challenge Fund application, which include: - development of a Swap Hub; - redistribution of waste food from local businesses to local families.	
Liaise with partnership groups – Baynes Bakeries, Spartans Community Football Academy, Grease Monkeys, Edinburgh Electric Bike Company and Granton School in the effective delivery of outcomes. To include co-ordination of collections of rescued bread and swap items.	
Organise free bike maintenance sessions (provided by Grease Monkeys and funded from CCF Grant) to run alongside the above events to encourage greater use of bikes.	
Ensure Granton Goes Greener events are promoted widely via Granton Primary, Broughton High School and other community groups.	
Recruit and train volunteers from within the church and the wider community to participate in and take longer-term responsibility for all the Granton Goes Greener events.	
Provide a quarterly report to the Kirk Session	
Create draft reports as required by Keep Scotland Beautiful for project	

monitoring purposes (final report will be submitted by the Kirk Session)	
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Person Specification: Climate Change Officer

	Essential	Desirable
Skills, abilities and knowledge		
An understanding of the impact of climate change	√	
An experience of working in a similar field in a paid or voluntary capacity		√
Experience of working with volunteers	√	
Ability to use social media	√	
Personal Qualities		
Ability to communicate effectively with people of all ages and backgrounds	√	
Good oral and written communication skills	√	
Openness to and ability to evidence different ways of working	√	
Ability to try new initiatives	√	
Proven ability to work collaboratively with colleagues	√	
Ability to work unsupervised with readiness to use own initiative	√	