



Communications Officer, Alyth Retained Flood Team (AFT)

Alyth is recruiting for a national pilot scheme: an independent retained flood team for the town (AFT). ADT has received funding from the National Lottery Community Fund for this exciting initiative. We are looking for people who will be able to participate in monthly training and drills (for which they will be compensated) and who will serve as trained volunteers in an actual flood. The AFT will be run with advice and support from Scottish Flood Forum.

A key position on the team is the Communications Officer, who must be able to create clear messaging for emergency and non-emergency communication with the general public, as well as maintain up to the minute communication with the flood team while a flood is in progress.

AFT Communication Officer Responsibilities:

- Observes all training and drills to gain an understanding of the work
- Participates in emergency communications training
- Familiarity/user competence with social media platforms
- Works with AFT Leader to design and disseminate regular public information on emergency plans and town safety in extreme weather
- Participates in biannual town safety training events
- During a flood or extreme weather event, maintains emergency comms-only channel, feeds regular current information to ACSG, ADT and CC for posting on FB pages and other sites as needed on road closures, power outages, at risk areas, stranded vehicles
- During an event liaises with AFT Leader in communicating with PKC emergency services and first responders
- Participates in post-event evaluation and records and distributes key points
- Works with SFF to disseminate public information for property damage prevention and other messages

Characteristics: Must be a very clear communicator with people of all types, proven ability to stay calm in a rapidly changing scenario, demonstrated experience in establishing and revising priorities for communication in real time.

Compensation: 1.5 days per month x 12 months at annual rate of £1800

Please send a brief work history and expression of interest to grantrain@gmail.com Be sure to include your contact details.