

# WildFish.

**Job title:** Senior Water Policy Manager

**Salary:** £46–50k pa

**Contract:** Full-time, permanent position

**Location:** work from home, with travel to meetings as required

**Reports to:** head of science and policy

## Job Description

WildFish are looking for an experienced water policy manager, who is passionate about protecting wild fish and their habitats. The successful applicant will work closely with our head of science and policy to deliver our water action campaign, tackling the causes of declining water quality and water availability.

The initial focus of this will be on water company infrastructure and water resources through the detailed interrogation of water company plans. The water industry currently hides behind inaccessible, very technical reports which, deliberately or not, obscure the true state of water resources and our unpreparedness for drought. The public is unaware of the dire threat posed to them and our environment by the lack of investment in alternatives to our rivers. WildFish aims to change this by increasing public understanding and holding the companies to account through legal challenges if necessary.

The role will involve attending relevant meetings, helping draft consultation responses and policy documents, and working within the team to develop case studies and research potential legal work in this area.

## Key Responsibilities

- Expertise in interpreting and challenging water company plans.
- Work with the SmartRivers team to investigate pressures identified through our monitoring to develop local studies and guide national policy.

- Work with the policy team to devise and develop our campaigns on a range of issues impacting wild fish populations at local, regional and national levels.
- Support the wider WildFish team with briefings, blogs and reports.
- Build links with external stakeholders.

## **Requirements**

- A grounding in UK water policy and/or relevant legal experience.
- Up-to-date knowledge of the water company planning processes.
- Self-motivated, prepared to take the initiative and manage your workload.
- Able to lead meetings and represent the organisation externally.
- A confident communicator, with excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Minimum BSc degree or equivalent in a relevant discipline.
- Comfortable working remotely but prepared to contribute to regular team meetings.
- Have a willingness to travel, with driving licence and vehicle.

## **What it's like to work for WildFish**

WildFish is the UK's only independent charity campaigning for wild fish and their habitats. We are evidence-led. We take no Government or polluter money so are free to hold them to account without fear or favour.

You will be a core member of a small, highly motivated team passionately committed to safeguarding our fresh and coastal water habitats. We aim to inspire, inform, involve and influence everyone to take action to protect this most threatened of environments.

## **How to apply**

Please send a CV and cover letter to: [info@wildfish.org](mailto:info@wildfish.org)

**Closing date for Applications:** Sunday 28 January. Initial interviews will be held on Zoom.