



Job Title: Cook / Chef

Location: The Watercress Line, New Alresford, SO24 9JG

Salary: £27,000 per year

Job Type: Full-time, 40hrs per week

About Us

The Watercress Line is a historic heritage railway and one of Hampshire's most popular visitor attractions, running through beautiful countryside between Alresford and Alton. Our on-site café serves freshly prepared meals, snacks, and refreshments to visitors, volunteers, and staff throughout the year. We take pride in offering high-quality, homemade food in a friendly and welcoming environment.

About the Role

We're looking for an enthusiastic Cook / Chef to join our catering team and help deliver delicious, freshly prepared dishes for our visitors. You'll work alongside a small, dedicated team in our busy kitchen, supporting both daily café service and special events such as afternoon teas, themed railway days, and private functions.

Key Responsibilities

Prepare and cook a range of meals, snacks, and baked goods to a high standard.

Maintain food safety and hygiene standards at all times.

Assist with menu planning, stock control, and ordering.

Support the catering team during busy periods and special events.

Ensure the kitchen and prep areas are kept clean and organised.

About You

Experience working as a cook or chef in a café, restaurant, or catering environment.

A passion for good, honest food and excellent customer service.

Ability to work independently and as part of a small team.

Flexibility to work weekends, bank holidays, and occasional evenings (as required for events).

Food Hygiene Certificate (Level 2 or higher) preferred.

What We Offer

£27,000 annual salary.

Friendly, supportive working environment in a unique heritage setting.

Opportunities to be creative with menus and seasonal dishes.

Staff discounts and free travel on the railway.

Free parking on site.

How to Apply:

To apply, please submit your CV and a short cover letter explaining why you'd be a great fit for the role to applications@watercressline.co.uk

We look forward to welcoming a new member to our team at The Watercress Line!