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Dear Robin

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust (SWT) is a Non-Government Organisation with a wide and varied remit including Nature Reserve Management, the protection and enhancement of the wider countryside for people and wildlife. SWT wishes to provide its support as an employer within the land management / freshwater management sector.

SWT supports the City & Guilds Level 2 Technical Certificate in Land & Wildlife, which includes a fisheries pathway. We believe it is suitable for someone aged 16 years or over and would be viewed by employers as providing a good foundation for someone progressing into the land and wildlife management sector.

The skills and knowledge in the qualification include:

- Health and safety and safe working practices;
- Working in the land and wildlife industry;
- Fish health and biology;
- Game and coarse angling;
- Assist with freshwater sport fishery management;
- Work experience (150 hours).

We believe that these would give a young person an advantage when seeking employment for a job as a:

- Reserves assistant;
- Wetlands assistant;
- Wildlife Sites assistant.

In addition, to those skills and knowledge specifically associated with the fisheries industry, the qualification would also be suitable for someone to progress to further learning and

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training, or to an apprenticeship. SWT has an ongoing apprenticeship scheme at our flagship nature reserves, including The Roaches and at Highgate Common.

Yours sincerely,

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