Do You Want to Lead the Pioneering Project that is Helping to Bring Back the Native Irish Oyster to Dublin Bay?

Green Ocean Foundation is looking for an enthusiastic, motivating and energetic leader who wants to play a vital role in the recovery of our oceans. This is a volunteer opportunity in forming part of a movement of people united by optimism, determination and a deep love for the ocean – people who turn hope into action every single day.

Green Ocean Foundation is a volunteer-led Irish registered charity dedicated to restoring marine biodiversity, improving water quality and reconnecting communities with the marine environment through practical, science-led restoration initiatives.

Role: Dún Laoghaire Site Lead

- **Location:** Dún Laoghaire Harbour, Co. Dublin
- **Time commitment:** Approximately 4-8 hours per month
- **Works closely with:** Volunteer Coordinator; Site Leads for Malahide and Greystones
- **Reports to:** Team Lead; takes part in Green Ocean's leadership meeting (roughly every 6 weeks)
- **Type:** Unpaid volunteer role

About the Role

Green Ocean Foundation is looking for a Dún Laoghaire Site Lead to take over from Roisin, who is moving to focus on fundraising and corporate partnerships. You will be the face of Green Ocean at Dún Laoghaire, leading hands-on volunteer sessions on the water and showing the public, partners and supporters the difference our work makes.

The heart of the role is organising and leading sessions to clean and flip our oyster baskets, keeping the site well run and our volunteers safe, motivated and coming back. It suits someone who loves volunteering, enjoys bringing people together and wants to build something at their local site.

Key Responsibilities

- Plan, schedule and lead regular volunteer sessions at Dún Laoghaire, including cleaning and flipping oyster baskets.
- Agree session dates and volunteer numbers with the Volunteer Coordinator, who will source volunteers for each session.
- Brief volunteers at the start of each session, covering the task, safety and why the work matters.
- Make sure sessions follow Green Ocean's safety procedures, including water safety, equipment checks and weather decisions.
- Showcase Green Ocean's work to visitors, partners, corporate groups and the local community.

Key Responsibilities

- Look after site equipment and flag any repairs, replacements or supplies needed.
- Share session updates, photos and observations to support reporting, social media and funding work.
- Spot opportunities to grow activity at the site, such as new partners, community groups or events.

Person Specification

Area	Essential	Desirable
Experience	Previous volunteering experience and a genuine enjoyment of volunteering	Experience leading or organising volunteer groups or community activities
Leadership and people skills	Enjoys working with people; able to organise, lead and motivate a group	Experience hosting visitors, school or corporate groups
Values	A passion for the environment, the marine environment and community projects	Knowledge of marine conservation or oyster restoration
Physical	A reasonable level of physical fitness; comfortable working in and around water	Water safety or first aid training
Boat handling	–	Able to drive a RIB (training can be provided)
Personal qualities	Resourceful, determined and ambitious for the site and its impact	Ideas for growing community involvement in Dún Laoghaire
Availability	Able to give 4–8 hours a month, including some weekends or tide-dependent times	Lives or works near Dún Laoghaire

What We Offer

- The chance to be part of a volunteer organisation with tangible local impact on our coast and communities.
- RIB training for the right candidate, plus a full induction to the site and our safety procedures.
- Hands-on experience leading a live marine and community project.
- Support from the Volunteer Coordinator and a network of fellow Site Leads in Malahide and Greystones.
- The chance to shape and grow Green Ocean's presence in Dún Laoghaire.

How to Apply

If this interests you, why not drop Aoibheann a line at **aoibheann@greenoceanfoundation.ie** and we can have quick chat.