



## **Elephant Keepers**

**£282 to £323 pw**

Twycross Zoo is in Leicestershire, a registered charity and home to over a thousand animals of 250 different species. We have exciting plans for developing the Zoo further, continuing our work in conservation of endangered species and ensuring our enclosures are the very best we can provide. We have a new sand paddock and pool to give the elephants an alternative to their existing choice of grass, earth and hard flooring.

We have 2 vacancies for Elephant Keepers to join our existing team of 3 caring for our Asian elephants - a group of 4 females with the youngest born here at Twycross. Another of the 4 has been artificially inseminated and the calf is expected in summer 2009. We have a close contact approach to elephant management and train them to obey commands, enabling healthcare maintenance to be carried out. Our training regime is calm and consistent and the right keeper will demonstrate self-confidence without arrogance.

One vacancy is for a Keeper who has solid experience of the hands on management of elephants. The other vacancy can be for a Trainee Keeper where some previous experience with elephants would be ideal, but experience with horses, including cleaning, handling and general care could also be a good background to have. Applicants must have experience of professional zoo animal care.

In return we offer good pay based on level of competence, 33 days holiday, uniform, 5% pension contribution and the possibility of on-site accommodation.

If you are interested, please send your CV with a covering letter to Human Resources, Twycross Zoo, Atherstone CV9 3PX or e-mail to [recruitment@twycrosszoo.org](mailto:recruitment@twycrosszoo.org) (no agencies please). Closing date: as soon as we can appoint the right people.