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Job Description: Harvest Skilled Arable Operator

About us

F.H. Easton Ltd are arable farmers and straw contractors in South Norfolk. We grow wheat, barley, rapeseed, and sugar beet. We also buy and sell straw and offer our services to other growers for contract. An opportunity has arisen for three enthusiastic and experienced individuals to join us for the coming harvest. The roles are designed to suit a range of experiences and circumstances, but may particularly suit overseas applicants travelling and applying to work on a Tier 5 Youth Mobility Visa.

Brief Job Description

Job location: Bunwell

Hours: Normally 7.30am-4.30pm Mon-Fri. Longer hours will be required during our busiest time.

Reports to: Farm Foreman

The Harvest Skilled Arable Operator is part of a small team of permanent and seasonal staff who are responsible for baling, chusing, corn carting and loading. Other responsibilities may include helping with hedge cutting, cultivations and other regular tasks, including machinery and other estate maintenance, as required.

Our operation requires that the jobholder be flexible, self-motivated and prepared to put in regular overtime during our busiest periods. Good hands on workshop/maintenance skills are essential, as is the ability to work alone or in a team. Experience as a tractor driver (or equivalent arable/livestock machinery operative) is essential. Experience of operating either a baler or a Heath Superchaser is desirable. Experience of operating a tractor mounted hedge cutter and cultivation equipment is desirable. The jobholder must hold a valid driving licence. Valid HGV1 licence and/or telehandler certificate are desirable but not essential.

Payment

Payment is awarded at a basic hourly rate of £11.63/hr and an overtime rate of £15.98/hr. Regular overtime work is payable during our busiest times of year. Applicants must be prepared to work unsociable hours during our busiest periods, including evenings, weekends and bank holidays.

Normal working hours are 42.5 per week, worked over 5 days Monday to Friday.

Payment is made on a weekly basis. Relevant training is organised and paid for by the Company.

The position is a 3 month fixed term contract commencing late June 2024, subject to receipt of satisfactory references. There may be an opportunity to extend the end date of your contract if mutually beneficial; this will be discussed towards the contract end.