

South Devon Railway — Job Opportunity

Catering & Hospitality Operative

Location: South Devon Railway (main base Totnes Riverside Station (near Littlehempston), Devon with other locations in Staverton and Buckfastleigh)

Contract: Seasonal, zero hours

Wage: £8 to £12.71 per hour, age and experience dependant

Reports to: Retail and Catering Manager

The South Devon Railway are looking for enthusiastic, customer-focused individuals to join our Catering & Hospitality team.

This is a varied and rewarding role that supports our heritage railway's catering operations at Totnes Riverside Station at The Lineside Café with capacity to assist at other locations such as our Bridge View Kiosk at Buckfastleigh, our on-train buffet service on The Buffet Car and at a wide range of special events when required.

Key Responsibilities

- Serve customers, prepare drinks, snacks and food items in The Lineside Café.
- Work at other South Devon Railway sites as required to support catering operations.
- Maintain excellent standards of cleanliness, food hygiene, and presentation.
- Handle cash, card payments, and stock accurately.
- Deliver warm, welcoming customer service at all times, reflecting the SDR's values.

About You

- Confident, friendly, and comfortable engaging with customers.
- Able to work flexibly, including weekends and bank holidays.
- Enjoy working as part of a team and supporting different locations as needed.
- Previous catering or hospitality experience is preferred but not essential — full training is provided.
- Must be 16+ to apply for this role.

What We Offer

- A unique working environment within a leading heritage railway.
- Flexible shifts throughout the running season.

- Full training, uniform, and support.
- The chance to be part of a friendly, community-minded organisation delivering great visitor experiences.
- Discounts in our retail and catering offerings.
- Free train travel on South Devon Railway trains, and discounted travel on National Rail services

How to Apply

Send a covering letter and CV to generalmanager@southdevonrailway.co.uk.