

Job Description

Job Title: Planning Officer

Pay Grade: W3 – W4

Directorate: Place

Team: Planning

Reporting to: Development Management Strategic Manager

Budgetary Responsibilities:

Staff - £XXXX

Other Direct - £XXXX

Other Indirect – N/A

Total £XXXX

Job Purpose:

To assist the Development Management Strategic Manager in all aspects of the work of the Development Management Section. The Council places great emphasis on providing an effective and efficient service to the customer and is also strongly committed to environmental initiatives. Duties in Development Management will include processing a range of planning applications and dealing with general queries, reporting to the Development Management Strategic Manager.

Main Tasks:

- 1. To process planning applications, Listed Building applications, Certificates of Lawfulness, consultations from other authorities and advertisements applications including site inspections.
- To give verbal and written pre planning advice to the general public, developers/applicants and Members of the Council and other service areas as instructed by the Development Management Strategic Manager.
- 3. To prepare reports for submission to the Development Management Strategic Manager and the Planning Committee.

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- 4. To prepare planning statements for Written Representation appeals and attendance at Public Inquiries, Informal Hearings (including the presentation of evidence) dependent upon experience and qualifications as and when directed by the Development Management Strategic Manager.
- 5. Attendance at the Planning Committee as and when directed by the Development Management Strategic Manager.
- 6. To assist in answering both written, telephone and personal enquiries by applicants and the general public.
- 7. Work with colleagues to develop a common understanding amongst, and market the concept of excellence in planning to, senior managers, to gain their involvement and ongoing commitment to promote and encourage all employees to work to planning best practice.
- 8. To undertake other duties appropriate to the level of the role as directed by the Development Management Strategic Manager including assistance with the work of the Enforcement Officers when necessary.

People Management: N/A

Service Management: N/A

Financial Responsibility: N/A

Other Responsibilities: N/A

Person Specification

Key:E = Essential, D = Desirable,
A = Application Form, I = Interview, P = Presentation

Please list as required.

Criteria	Standard	E/D	Measure
Education & training	 Relevant degree (or in the process of undertaking appropriate studies). Member of the Royal Town Planning Institute 	E D	A A
Experience	 Knowledge of planning legislation Local Planning Authority experience Some experience of dealing with planning applications and other planning work(for higher grade) Oral/written communication skills Good presentation, report and letter writing skills Accuracy Interest in providing good level of customer care IT literate 	E D D E E E E	A/I A/I A/I A/I A/I A/I
Special Requirements	Committee attendance Full driving licence	E E	I A/I

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Candidate Screening

Does Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 apply?	Yes
Disclosure and Barring Service check required?	No
If yes, what level?	Choose an item.
Is this a Politically Restricted Post?	No
Does this role have emergency responsibilities?	No Choose an item.

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Role Map

Behaviour	Level Required (1-4)
Shaping our Future	2
Leading our People	1
Delivering for our Customers	2
Making Change Happen	2
Team and Partnership Working	1
Communicating Openly	2
Performance Management	1

Please refer to the Council's Behavioural Framework for examples and indicators of the expected behaviour required at each level (this will be attached as a document to each job advert).

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