

PERSON SPECIFICATION

SENIOR STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICER

SKILLS	KNOWLEDGE	ATTAINMENT	ATTITUDE
ESSENTIAL	ESSENTIAL	ESSENTIAL	ESSENTIAL
<p>Excellent communication skills demonstrating an innovative, creative and enthusiastic approach to communicate complex ideas clearly and persuasively to get commitment and buy in from a wide range of stakeholders, including young people.</p> <p>Excellent presentation skills with the ability to present to audiences at all levels</p> <p>Ability to manage and co-ordinate complex projects effectively, including those involving a wide range of stakeholders</p> <p>Excellent working knowledge of all main Microsoft applications in order to produce high quality documentation</p> <p>A high level of literacy and numeracy</p> <p>The ability to analyse planning issues and information, draw conclusions and write reports in a logical, accurate and concise way, with sound recommendations.</p> <p>The ability to liaise and negotiate with developers, landowners, other local authority officers and other interested parties including members of the public, and to develop good working relations with external organisations.</p>	<p>A high level of knowledge and understanding of current planning issues and legislation, especially in the fields of planning policy and statutory development plans.</p>	<p>Substantial experience of working in the fields of planning policy and/or statutory development plans.</p> <p>Experience of delivering presentations to a wide range of audiences</p> <p>Able to work under own initiative with minimum of supervision whilst working to tight deadlines</p> <p>Degree or post-graduate qualification in Town and Country Planning or closely related subject giving eligibility for Membership of the Royal Town Planning Institute.</p>	<p>Customer focussed and driven to deliver meetings, as and when required, outside of normal working hours</p> <p>Ability to travel, sustainably where possible, to different locations in East Cambridgeshire and surrounding area</p> <p>Good interpersonal skills to develop and maintain effective working relationships, and respecting a wide range of views (even when such views are contrary to the post holder)</p> <p>Ability to work on own initiative</p> <p>Candidates must demonstrate understanding of, acceptance and commitment to the principles underlying equal opportunities</p> <p>Knowledge and understanding of effective customer care</p>

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<p>Ability to converse in more than one language</p> <p>Able to promote and publicise success through the media</p> <p>A high degree of competence in the use of GIS and / or databases (including Access)</p>	<p>Awareness of the aims of ECDC specifically in relation to the declaration of a climate emergency</p> <p>A thorough knowledge of local government practices and procedures</p>	<p>Experience of working in a local authority planning department.</p>	