

# Master Planner - Project Manager Development Management - Grade 14

## Role Description

To be read in conjunction with the Project Manager – Grade 14 Job Profile.

In Kirklees, we are planning on a bright future. The adopted Local Plan sets ambitious housing and job growth targets. To meet this challenge, we are looking to appoint a highly skilled and very experienced Master planner to work within the Development Management service to lead on the delivery of our strategic planning sites. Take a look at our Local Plan, sites including Bradley Park (2000 dwellings), Chidswell (1500 dwellings) and Dewsbury Riverside (4000 dwellings) are all places to be planned, designed, and delivered through the lifetime of the Local Plan.

We want to create places that our communities, new and existing, can be proud of. This is an exciting time to join our team as we start to plan, design, and create the masterplans and design frameworks and infrastructure delivery plans to make these key sites a reality. You will be asked to lead on the planning stages, coordinate across the Council's services the infrastructure requirements to help shape and realise the strategic housing and mixed-use sites. Your skills and experiences in delivering and project managing sites of comparable scale to our allocations would be matched by our ambition to see high quality new settlements that improve the lives of our residents and facilitate big economic growth in the District.

In addition to our Local Plan housing targets, Kirklees has an ambitious housing development programme to build 10,000 homes by 2023, of which at least 1,000 will be on council-owned land. We are looking for individuals with a strong background in housing development and regeneration to join us in this exciting and challenging initiative.

Our focus is on pace, innovation and achieving well-designed places. This role will often require an ability to respond creatively to legislative and site constraints to achieve these objectives, as well as an understanding of infrastructure planning and delivery. A driving force behind these projects is the overriding sense of satisfaction derived from knowing that the work undertaken makes a tangible and often visible difference to our residents and businesses.

This is an exciting and challenging time for Kirklees, and we need more talented and ambitious people to join our team. If you are this person, we look forward to hearing from you.

## Key areas of responsibility

- Providing pre-application advice to prospective applicants for major and complex development schemes. Developing Planning Performance Agreements and acting as the lead officer.
- Project managing significant and complex Strategic and Major applications across the district.
- Seeking to add value to proposals and applications through advice, process management and timely decision making.
- Managing the delivery of effective and timely preparation and presentation of delegated

reports and reports to Planning Committees

- Contribute to and support negotiations on potential Section 106 contributions, in connection with planning proposals.
- Representing the Council as required at Informal Hearings and public enquiries and meetings.
- Input into service improvement initiatives.
- Supporting the Major Applications team leader, mentor junior staff, help maintain and improve service performance.

## Position of job in organisational structure



## Employee Specification

<b>Knowledge, qualifications, skills, and experience</b>	<b>Shortlisting criteria</b>
Have a relevant professional qualification - MRTPI or RIBA	Essential
Have experience of leading, supporting or contributing to the development, management and delivery of complex major regeneration and strategic scale applications, programmes, and projects.	Essential
Have extensive experience in development management particularly in connection with large scale major development proposals with substantial infrastructure requirements.	Essential
Have knowledge and experience of supervising and managing staff.	Desirable
Have in depth and extensive knowledge in the latest national planning policy; guidance and procedures.	Essential
Have in depth experience of major or complex development proposals; their management and how to negotiate key outcomes on behalf of the Council with developers and/or key stakeholders.	Essential
Be experienced at working in a sensitive political environment.	Essential



<b>Knowledge, qualifications, skills, and experience</b>	<b>Shortlisting criteria</b>
Have substantial knowledge and experience of preparing and presenting evidence at public inquiry or examination.	Desirable
Travel to various locations in order to carry out the duties of the job. Possession of a full and valid driving licence and a car available for work. (exceptions can be made for disabled applicants).	Desirable

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Job Focus	Yes	Career Progression	No

### Contractual Variants

DBS Category	No	DBS Type	No
Health Check	No	Politically Restricted	No
24/7 working	No	Public Holidays	No
Night Working	No	Alternating Pattern	No
Standby	No	Other	No