

Job Profile

Job Title: Clean Air for Schools Project Lead

Job Grade: Level 3, Zone 2

Salary Range: £36,984 - £42,526

Fixed term 18-month fixed-term contract

About Camden

'Camden is building somewhere everyone can thrive, by making our borough the best place to live, work, study and visit. Because, we're not just home to UK's fast-growing economy. We're home to the most important conversations happening today. And we're making radical social change a reality, so that nobody gets left behind. Here's where you can help decide a better future for us all.

Air pollution is the largest environmental risk for public health, and London's toxic air disproportionately affects the health of children, older people, and vulnerable groups. Camden Council is the first local authority to have committed to the World Health Organization air quality standards, in recognition of our communities' vision for a borough in which '*no one experiences poor health because of the air they breathe in Camden*'. Our new Clean Air Action Plan 2023-2026 sets out an ambitious programme of activities to be delivered over the next four years to help make this vision a reality.

We are committed to tackling the health inequalities created by poor air quality, and our new 'Clean Air for Camden Schools' programme represents a vital part of our wider effort to build public awareness and empower Camden's communities in the fight for clean air. We are recruiting to an exciting new role in Camden's Sustainability, Air Quality and Energy team to lead the delivery of this ambitious project.

About the role

As the Clean Air for Schools Project Lead you will lead the creation and delivery of our new Clean Air for Camden Schools engagement and awareness raising campaign, which will run from July 2023 to December 2024.

You will build strong relationships with schools throughout the borough to deliver engagement activities such as workshops, lessons and assemblies for children and school communities, prioritising areas which experience higher levels of air pollution or greater vulnerability to the health risks associated with poor air quality.

You will enable local action by empowering school communities with the knowledge and materials needed to tackle air pollution and the health risks it presents, by supporting a range of interventions delivered in partnership with other teams throughout the Council,

including Public Health, Transport, and the Climate Programme teams. Example interventions include citizen science air quality monitoring projects, clean air walking route maps, local anti-idling campaigns, and 'asthma friendly schools' projects.

As a core part of Camden's ambitious air quality programme you will have an opportunity to shape how we work to protect the health and wellbeing of children and young people, and to create the next generation of sustainability pioneers.

You will be supported by the Air Quality Programme Manager and will be able to develop your professional skills and experience in sustainability as an integral member of Camden's highly regarded Sustainability, Air Quality and Energy service.

About you

- Experience delivering education or engagement activities for children and young people
- Strong communication skills with the ability to present information and communicate clearly to a range of different audiences
- Experience in project management
- Knowledge of air quality, sustainability or community health and wellbeing
- Experience of building and maintaining stakeholder relationships
- Ability to manage conflicting priorities, handle a busy workload and meet changing deadlines
- Relevant degree or professional qualification, or equivalent professional experience in a relevant discipline

People Management Responsibilities

None

Relationships

The post-holder will be required to build support and maintain relationships with a range of people and organisations as outlined below. To sustain these relationships, build support and ensure effective continuation and delivery of projects, the post holder must be able to communicate with a wide range of audiences that will inevitably have varying degrees of knowledge and understanding of air quality and public health.

- Council staff and managers
- Members of the Council
- Members of the public including residents and community groups
- Funders, suppliers, service providers and contractors
- Third party and external stakeholders including consultants, developers and contractors

- Government departments and other local authorities, including the GLA
- Environmental organisations

Over to you

We're ready to welcome your ideas, your views, and your rebellious spirit. Help us redefine how we're supporting people, and we'll redefine what a career can be. If that sounds good to you, we'd love to talk

Is this role Politically Restricted?

No

Diversity & Inclusion

At Camden, we value and celebrate difference and encourage diversity in all respects. Our diverse workforce ensures we represent our communities to the best of our ability and enables us to make better decisions. Because of this, we particularly welcome applications from Black, Asian and those of other non-white ethnicities, those who identify as LGBT+, neurodiverse and disabled people.

Agile working

At Camden we view work as an activity, not a place. We focus on performance, not presenteeism. We create trusting relationships, we embrace innovation rather than bureaucracy and we value people. Collaboration is the Camden way, silo working isn't.

At Camden we are proud to be one of Hire Me My Way's inaugural campaign supporters. Hire Me My Way is a national campaign led by Timewise, designed to increase the volume of good quality jobs that can be worked flexibly in the UK (www.HireMeMyWay.org.uk). Hire Me My Way aims to treble the number of available good quality flexible jobs to 1 million by 2020.

Asking for Adjustments

Camden is committed to making our recruitment practices barrier-free and as accessible as possible for everyone. This includes making adjustments or changes for disabled people, neurodiverse people or people with long-term health conditions. If you would like us to do anything differently during the application, interview or assessment process, including providing information in an alternative format, please contact us on 020 7974 6655, at resourcing@camden.gov.uk or post to 5 Pancras Square, London, N1C 4AG,

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