

Job Profile – Senior Urban Designer

Job Title: Senior Urban Designer

Job Grade: Level 4 Zone 1

Salary Range: £38,297 - £44,424

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.

About the role

Urban Designer - Working collaboratively it creates, shapes and implements the vision for the Borough and particularly for the areas of significant change through the production of frameworks, site-specific briefs and advice to Development Management.

Example outcomes or objectives that this role will deliver:

- To provide urban design expertise, diagrams, images and concepts to support the Council's area based regeneration programme.
- To work with Development Management officers to influence positive design outcomes through the planning pre-application process.
- To undertake sites analysis, produce capacity studies, feasibility studies and make recommendations on Council owned sites.
- To produce high quality documents and presentations to promote the work of the team and the service.
- To manage projects within the 'Raising Design Quality' agenda including the Camden Design Awards and the Camden Design Review Panel.

About you

- Degree in architecture (RIBA part 1) or equivalent design qualification.
- Experience in professional critique and review of architectural and urban design proposals.
- Experience of using Sketch-up, Adobe Creative Suite, particularly In-Design and Illustrator, and GIS software e.g. Mapinfo.
- Experience of working on site based planning and urban design projects including feasibility work.
- Experience of urban design related image and document production.
- Knowledge of national and local planning issues.
- Knowledge and understanding of customer relations and customer care practices.

- Proven ability to successfully manage competing demands, work methodically, to achieve targets and respond flexibly to changing needs and priorities.
- Well-developed communications skills, with the ability to communicate clearly and effectively both orally and in writing on a range of complex issues at all levels within and outside the organisation.
- Ability to develop and sustain effective professional working relationships at all levels with a wide range of individuals and agencies including colleagues, other directorates, Members, internal and external customers and other stakeholders.

Work Environment:

- The post holder is required to work in a busy environment with competing priorities and demands. The post holder is required to work flexibly to meet individual and service objectives.
- The post holder will be based in an office environment, making site visits as required.
- The post holder may be required to attend evening meetings, or other out-of-hours events on occasion; reasonable notice will usually be given.

People Management Responsibilities:

N/A

Relationships:

- Reports to Urban Design Manager
- Partnership working with officers from other Council departments and elsewhere e.g. major land owners, developers and applicants; residents/amenity groups and elected members. Be an ambassador for the planning function in these interactions
- In addition, the post holder will be required to liaise with various teams and services across Supporting Communities.
- Key contacts are likely to include:
 - Conservation Area Advisory Committees
 - Historic England
 - Developers
 - Camden's external Design Review Panel
 - Officers across all Directorates
 - Community and amenity groups

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?

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Diversity & Inclusion

We want Camden Council to be a great place to work and to ensure that our communities are represented across our workforce. A vital part of this is ensuring we are a truly inclusive organisation that encourages diversity in all respects, including diversity of thinking. We particularly welcome applications from Black, Asian and those of Other Ethnicities, LGBT+, disabled and neurodiverse communities to make a real difference to our residents so that equalities and justice remains at the heart of everything we do. Click [Diversity and Inclusion](#) for more information on our commitment.

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

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