

Job Profile

Job Title: Tree and Landscape (Planning) Officer

Job Grade: Level 3 Zone 2

Salary Range: £34,629 - £40,171

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

The Tree and Landscape Officer (Planning) post is primarily responsible for processing TPO applications and Conservation Area notifications. They will also be responsible for investigating unauthorised works to trees and providing formal advice on planning applications. The applicant will be working outside the office on a daily basis and using the M3 planning system. The ability to identify tree species and common pests and diseases is essential and experience of working for a Local Authority desirable. Preparation of evidence for appeals including presenting at public enquiries/hearings, correspondence and other duties as may be required. A working knowledge of BS5837:2012 is required.

About you

- The post-holder will take responsibility for effective negotiation, stakeholder involvement and conflict resolution to ensure high quality and innovative outcomes that reflect Council wide objectives and policies
- Securing community benefits through legal agreements to be invested in the borough's built environment and infrastructure
- To ensure all Development Management decisions relating to tree and landscape issues comply with relevant legislation, statutory and other Council plans, policies and guidelines and that these decisions can effectively be defended in planning appeals as necessary
- To seek to ensure that all reports, correspondence, written and telephone enquiries and complaints are dealt with within target response times and that quality and content meet required standards
- Minimum level 3 arboricultural qualification
- Excellence in customer care

- Experience of working within Development Management in a local authority environment
- Knowledge of current arboricultural & landscaping best practice.

Work Environment:

Predominantly office based with external meetings and site visits. Willingness to work outside normal office hours on occasion is essential.

People Management Responsibilities:

- None

Relationships:

- Reports to an area Development Management team manager and Head of Development Management Service.
- Partnership working with other regulatory services within the council and elsewhere eg pollution control, transport planners, private sector housing, street environment services, major land owners, developers and applicants; with residents/amenity groups and elected members.

Over to you

We're ready to welcome your ideas, your views, and your rebellious spirit. Help us redefine how we're supporting our communities, 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

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 other ethnic groups, those who identify as LGBT+, neurodiverse and disabled people. 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.

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Asking for Adjustments

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