

## **Transport Planning Officer- £35,000-£45,000- Barking**

### **The Role**

Do you possess a recognised degree in Transport Planning, with post qualification experience? Do you have the ability to undertake complex Development Management projects or Spatial Planning work and in a high-pressure environment? If so, we have an exciting opportunity for you.

We are a pioneering urban regeneration company, looking to appoint a Transport Planning Officer to support our vision and to contribute to the delivery of an efficient and effective Planning and Transport development service.

The successful candidate will be responsible for supporting the Borough Transport Planning Programme including LIPS & LEN & Healthy Streets as well as contributing to the Borough's transport strategy outlined in the new Local Plan.

### **Key Responsibilities**

The key responsibilities of a Transport Planning Officer include, but are not limited to:

- To contribute towards the implementation of a working culture that is result-orientated, customer-focused and an ethos of 'right first time' service delivery.
- To undertake all duties with minimal supervision.
- To be responsible for continuous personal development by requesting and attending training when necessary.
- To demonstrate a strong commitment to the promotion of equal opportunities.
- To take a lead in providing high quality planning services to external and internal customers and stakeholders, meeting evolving delivery priorities, issues and challenges to agreed standards defined in the service offer.
- Undertake a full range of operational business tasks a portfolio of projects which may be within some or all of the planning functions.
- Identify, bid and secure additional funding to support the Boroughs Manifesto Pledges, Mayors Transport Strategy and Be First Regeneration ambitions.
- Manage Service Level Agreements with key partners – Living Streets, Sustrans and TFL.
- Be First and Borough lead on all Healthy Active Travel and Transport Related Issues, opportunities and strategies at local to pan London levels.
- Detailed knowledge of MTS, associated best practice, policy, guidance (inc design) and legislation.

### **The Company**

Be First is a pioneering urban regeneration company wholly owned by Barking and Dagenham Council, but operating independently.

Our mission is to accelerate growth and capitalise on the borough's position as London's hottest investment and development opportunity.

We will help deliver 50,000 new homes and 20,000 jobs in the next 20 years. As a developer in our own right, we utilise council and commercial investment resources to acquire sites, get planning consent and build out new residential and commercial developments. As a development manager we offer project management, land assembly and planning consultancy services to the council and

to commercial partners who share our core values of delivering high quality development which benefits local people. We also deliver Town and Country Planning and a number of other smaller statutory functions for Barking and Dagenham on a no cost contract basis.

As a wholly council owned company Be First is tasked with delivering a financial return which can be reinvested in public services. We provide a socially responsible model of urban regeneration which delivers new homes and jobs for the current as well as future communities and ensures that no one is left behind.

### **The Person**

The key skills and qualities of a Transport Planning Officer are:

- A recognised degree in Transport Planning with post qualification experience to qualify for membership or ability to gain entry to course leading to a professional qualification.
- A knowledge of how to supervise a Development Management or Spatial Planning team and to devise innovative solutions for service delivery.
- The ability to undertake complex Development Management projects or Spatial Planning work and in a high-pressure environment.
- Demonstrable successful innovation, initiative and consistent achievement in a planning environment.
- IT literate with experience of using Word, PowerPoint and other software packages to record and manage data.
- To build effective and productive working relationships with colleagues and elected members.
- A proven record or experience of communicating in person, by telephone and in writing in a calm, courteous and confident professional manner.
- Demonstrable understanding of the equality and diversity agenda, and experience of embedding a fair and ethical approach within a team and wider organisation.
- At ease in the presence of company directors, senior client representatives and able to command a sense of personal professional gravitas without being overbearing.
- Strong influencing and persuasion skills.
- Strong analytical skills.

If you are keen on joining this exciting, forward-thinking company and taking the next step in your career, then please click the apply now button to find out more.

Additionally, please forward a Cover Letter to [lauren.tipple@befirst.london](mailto:lauren.tipple@befirst.london), setting out your reasons for applying for the role, and how you feel your skills and experience will enable you to be successful and address the key requirements of the role. **This is essential when applying for the role of Transport Planning Officer.**

**Be First reserves the right not to consider applications without a covering letter addressing the requirements of the post.**