JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Landscape Architect		**Ref No:**	**JE Ref: G756**
Department: Economy and Resources	**Band:** 11	**Location:** Dumfries	
Responsible To:	Team Leader, Major Developments		
Responsible For:	N/A		
Job Purpose:	1 The main purpose of the job is to provide landscape advice and support to Development Management case officers, particularly on Major Developments, with the current focus on wind energy proposals. 2 The secondary purpose is to provide landscape advice and support to Planning Policy officers on landscape matters and contribute to the development of planning policy and guidance.		
Main Responsibilities:	1. To act as a professional landscape advisor to the Council. 2. To respond to landscape consultations for development proposals, with a focus on wind energy. 3. To assist case officers with landscape matters in negotiations with developers and agents. 4. Representing Council as landscape expert witness at hearings and Public Inquiries. 5. To contribute landscape advice to policy development and planning guidance. 6. To contribute landscape advice within the consideration of the Council's multi-disciplinary specialists.		
Job Activities:	1. To assess planning applications in relation to Council policies and guidance, providing landscape advice including; pre-application discussions, scoping opinions, review of supporting applicant information including environmental statements, landscape assessments of proposals based on desk and site work, setting out a reasoned landscape recommendation for proposals, suggested design modifications and other mitigation measures. 2. To participate in case officer and Energy Consents Unit led meetings at all stages of the planning process, support negotiations on landscape siting and design aspects of developments. 3. To provide statements for appeals, develop the landscape case for Hearings and Public Inquiries, and on occasion appear as the landscape expert witness. 4. To contribute landscape advice to the development of planning policy and planning guidance, including; reviewing landscape-related national policy and guidance consultation documents, inputting to the development of Local Development Plan policies and planning guidance, and supporting commissioning of specialist reports by landscape consultants. 5. To carry out environmental appraisals, prepare development frameworks and design guidance, and input to studies prepared by others (for example in relation to road proposal and major housing sites). 6. To commission and manage the preparation of studies and strategies, and the design and implementation of landscape projects by external consultants		

	where required. 7. To consult with relevant Council Officers, external agencies and organisations and the public in writing and through meetings and workshops. 8. To represent the Council regionally and nationally at meetings and on working groups and in written response in relation to landscape matters. The job activities listed are not exhaustive and may be amended or added to consistent with the job purpose.
Performance Management	***The job activities listed are not exhaustive and may be added to or amended consistent with the job purpose.*** • To manage your own performance and any staff you may be responsible for in accordance with the Council's values of Customer First, continuous improvements, openness and honesty, local decision making and team working. • To achieve the agreed performance targets detailed in the work plan and contribute to performance appraisal activities. • To manage your own performance in compliance with all Codes, Regulations and procedures including Code of Conduct, Health and Safety and Governance. • To manage risk, promote risk awareness and prioritise work in light of the risk analysis. • To actively commit to the Council's equality and diversity vision statement and associated policies that promote fairness and equality and celebrate diversity, in dealing with colleagues, clients and service users. • To take all reasonable measures to limit carbon emissions and reduce energy/ resource consumption when undertaking work activities.
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