

Arboricultural Consultant / Senior Arboricultural Consultant

Preston or Penrith

Full-time

Permanent

The company:

Bowland Tree Consultancy Ltd. is a well-established and reputable arboricultural consultancy practice in based in Preston, Lancashire. We boast an extensive portfolio of experience, servicing clients locally, regionally and nationally. We are a small but growing business with big plans for the future and are looking for the right person to help in our growth and direction.

The role:

We are looking to recruit a qualified and experienced Arboricultural Consultant or Senior Arboricultural Consultant to join our growing team on a full-time permanent basis. The main purpose of the role is to deliver an efficient and effective arboricultural consultancy service in a dynamic, client-focused, commercial environment. The post holder will work flexibly, independently and as part of the team.

Main duties of the role:

- To take responsibility for surveying and inspecting trees for development site assessments and for risk management purposes.
- To prepare associated reports, directly liaising with clients, agents, local planning authorities and members of the public, on behalf of the company and its clients.
- To assist in the management of junior staff, where required, in the case of the senior role.

The successful candidate will be:

Self-motivated, diligent, and an effective communicator, with a professional manner and a keen eye for detail.

Essential criteria:

- An arboriculture qualification to a minimum of level 5;
- At least 3 years' experience in tree surveying, report preparation and client liaison for the Arboricultural Consultant, and 5 years' experience for the senior role;
- Excellent report writing skills;
- Experience in the preparation of fee proposals;
- A comprehensive understanding and working knowledge of all relevant arboricultural legislation and guidance, in particular the planning system and BS5837:2012;
- Strong tree, pest and disease identification skills and a good understanding of tree biology and tree biomechanics;
- An understanding and appreciation of project budgetary constraints and targets;
- Experience of project management;
- Computer and IT literate, with experience in using Microsoft Office products and, preferably, AutoCAD;
- Experience of staff management (for the senior role); and
- A full UK driving licence.

Desirable criteria:

- Chartered arboriculturist status with the Institute of Chartered Foresters (MICFor)
- Professional membership of the Arboricultural Association (MArborA)

- LANTRA Professional Tree Inspection qualification
- Quantified Tree Risk Assessment (QTRA) licence holder
- Natural England bat survey licence (at any level) and associated experience in this field

On offer:

A competitive remuneration and benefits package, based on qualifications and level of experience, is on offer for the successful candidate.

Flexible and home working arrangements are in place for all current staff. Since March 2020 we have established a hybrid model of working, combining office and home working, as the new norm. All requests for flexible/ homeworking will be considered in accordance with the Company's Flexible Working Policy.

The role is mainly office-based but includes regular site work. Site work is usually within a 100-mile radius of the Preston office, but there are instances where travel further afield within the UK is necessary. A willingness to travel nationwide, including overnight trips, is required. Our main office is in Preston city centre, however, there is scope for the post holder to be based from our soon to be opened satellite office in Penrith, Cumbria.

This is an exciting opportunity to work for a small, well-established and growing business. We are keen to invest in your future and your long-term professional development and offer significant prospects for the right candidate. You will have the opportunity to become an integral part of the business and to subsequently prosper in its future growth.

All in all, with the excellent long-term prospects currently on offer, this is a really good time to join the team! So, if you think you are capable of making your mark at a high level within our company, to help shape our future growth and direction, then please submit your application without delay.

Job Type:

- Full-time (37.5 hours per week)
- Permanent (subject to a six-month probationary period)

Additional pay:

- Bonus payments (dependant on performance and wholly at the discretion of the company)

Holidays:

- 28 days per annum, including public and bank holidays (pro-rata for part-time employees)
- One additional day off given for staff birthdays, entirely at the discretion of the Director
- One additional day's leave after two years' continuous service
- One additional day's leave after four years' continuous service

Benefits:

- The company will pay 2 x annual professional membership subscriptions for AA and ICF
- Ongoing training and CPD, with support and encouragement for gaining Chartered Status
- Flexible working opportunities (TOiL and homeworking as agreed and subject to workload and associated circumstances at the time)
- Access to company Group Life Insurance scheme with additional health care benefits
- Statutory workplace pension

Experience:

- Tree surveying, report preparation and client liaison: 3 to 5 years' minimum

Schedule:

- Monday to Friday, but with options for flexible working

Work remotely:

- Yes, in addition to site visits and office attendance

To apply:

Please submit a detailed CV and a cover letter, that clearly describes how your skills and experience make you a suitable candidate for this job to info@bowlandtreeconsultancy.co.uk.

Closing date :

31st October 2021.



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