

Woodland Creation Projects Delivery Officer

Organisation: Cheshire West and Chester Council

Location: Ellesmere Port

Grade: CWAC NJC - Grade 8

Salary Range: £30,151 - £34,723 per annum

Hours per week: 37

Weeks per year: 52.

Employment Type: Fixed Term

Contract Duration: Two years

Closing Date: 31/05/2023

Ref No: W2666

Cheshire West and Chester Council brings a fresh and energetic approach to providing top quality services for its many customers and communities. West Cheshire is a place where everyone can Thrive – through our core values of Teamwork, Honesty, Respect, Innovation, Value for Money and Empowerment.

Cheshire West and Chester Council declared a climate emergency in 2019. In response, the Council developed a Climate Emergency Response Plan with land use, climate repair and adaptation as one of the themes. This theme was expanded into the Council's Land Action Plan which focusses on nature based, green infrastructure, natural capital, and land use solutions to help mitigate and adapt to climate change.

We are looking for a 'can do' individual to enable the Council demonstrate leadership and commitment to the land action plan by creating woodland where it can on its own land, whilst continuing to influence partners, other institutions and landowners to do the same. The successful candidate will be part of the Council's Climate Change team, work seamlessly with colleagues in the Total Environment team, liaise with other Council teams and support the Mersey Forest plan within Cheshire West.

You should have a degree or equivalent qualification in a Forestry-related subject, or substantial experience that supports the skills and abilities required for the post along with a qualification and/or experience in project management. Experience in delivering tree planting schemes with landowners, communities and/or public sector organisations, managing contracts and budgets and collaborative working are prerequisites. Additionally, you are required to demonstrate a good understanding of current best practice in community and biodiversity-led forestry and have some understanding of the UK Forestry Standard.

Professional membership of the Institute of Chartered Foresters or another relevant professional body is desirable.



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We're committed to creating a workplace culture where all our people feel valued, included and able to be their best at work, and we recognise the benefits that a diverse workforce with different values, beliefs, experience, and backgrounds brings to us as an organisation.

Our salary range typically reflects the initial starting salary and annually increases until it reaches the top of the range.

To find out more information about what it is like to work for Cheshire West and Chester Council including our rewards and benefits please see www.cwcrecruitment.co.uk

No candidate will meet every single requirement - if your experience looks a little different from what we've identified and you think you can bring value to the role, we'd love to learn more about you!

Cheshire West and Chester Council are committed to equality and diversity in employment. Please see the [Equality Policy](#) for more information.

Cheshire West and Chester Council have adopted a Local Living Wage for our employees which means that all employees will receive a minimum of £10.90 per hour for all contracted hours.

<https://jobs.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/vacancy/woodland-creation-projects-delivery-officer-523251.html>



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