Tree Officer £33,744 (Band 6) Permanent, Full Time Based at Hedge End Depot

## Do you want to make a difference?

Here at Eastleigh Borough Council, we are committed to making a positive difference for all the residents, businesses and visitors to Eastleigh and we are proud to be delivering on our promise to create sustainable and healthy communities and increase employment and wellbeing opportunities for all.

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a Tree Officer to join the Green Spaces service, a new team which brings together Ecology, Trees, Country Parks, Countryside Services and Land Management to work together to manage and enhance green infrastructure across Eastleigh borough.

We are seeking enthusiastic individuals to join the Ecology and Trees team to manage our statutory functions such as responding to planning consultations, TPO administration and field work to ensure the health of our woodland and trees. In addition to these core responsibilities, there will be the opportunity to work on various projects, including planting 160,000 new trees, contributing to biodiversity net gain schemes and working closely with our tree nursery.

You will have a genuine appreciation of trees in their natural setting and will also have extensive experience of managing trees in a town planning context. With the Council recognising the Climate Change and Environmental Emergency, managing both our current and future tree stock has never been more important. If you would like to be part of our ambitious approach, then we would love to hear from you.

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

## About us

In return you will be working with a great team in an organisation that is truly committed to a flexible, inclusive and enjoyable work environment. We are passionate about personal and professional development for all staff, offering exceptional conditions of employment as an accredited Living Wage Employer, plus the chance to make a lasting difference to the community of Eastleigh.

## Our benefits include:

- 26-29 days annual leave (dependent on local government continuous service)
- Flexible working arrangements and ability to accrue up to 2 days additional leave per month (subject to
  operational requirements pro rata for part-time staff)
- Defined Benefit Pension Scheme
- Places Leisure, Eastleigh 30% off Full Membership
- Confidential Employee Advice and Support Programme
- Excellent working environment

If you would like to arrange an informal discussion about this role, please contact Paul Howe by calling 07824 354397 or by emailing <a href="mailto:paul.howe@eastleigh.gov.uk">paul.howe@eastleigh.gov.uk</a>

For further information and to apply, please visit our website via the Apply button.

Closing date: 14 August 2023
Interview date: To be confirmed

