

Experienced Planner

Strategic Development and Development Management

Full or Part Time

Wolston Office (Near Rugby)

Sworders are seeking an experienced Town Planner or planning focused Surveyor to join our established planning team, focusing on the promotion of land through Local and Neighbourhood Plans and on general planning work.

About Sworders

Sworders is an independent Property Consultancy with over 230 years of history. We have offices in Hertfordshire, Norfolk, Warwickshire and Somerset.

Our clients include predominantly rural landowners of all types from private individuals to commercial institutions and charities. We have a strong reputation for delivering added value through interdisciplinary working across the surveying, planning and architectural disciplines. Sworders' business model supports this approach, with a focus on coordinated outcomes for clients.

The Sworders team works closely across offices, to share expertise and provide staff with a range of opportunities. We actively encourage staff at all levels to contribute to business management.

The Opportunity

We are looking for an excellent individual with the ability to work as part of a multidisciplinary team to advise a wide variety of landowning clients on the promotion of sites through Local and Neighbourhood Plans and in regard to the submission of planning applications. Sworders' surveying, planning and design teams work closely together to create opportunities for landowning clients through direct promotion of land or through putting in place promoter partners.

The successful candidate will cover the following areas and more:

- Advising on the promotion of land in the midlands and beyond including the submission of representations at all stages of Plan preparation from call for sites up to and including Examination.
- Planning appraisals
- Pre-application engagement
- Appointing and managing consultant teams

- Preparing and submitting planning applications for a wide variety of development from large scale residential and commercial schemes to smaller rural projects
- Advising on and submitting appeals (all types)
- Prior approval applications

Experience

We are looking for an experienced Town Planner or planning focused Surveyor from either the private or public sector. We would require a minimum of 7 years' experience for an exceptional candidate but would prefer 10 plus years. Job title on entry and complexity of project workload will reflect the experience of the successful candidate. RTPI accreditation is not a pre-requisite for a candidate with the right experience but is welcomed. We would support you to secure this accreditation if you desire. We would expect any candidates from a surveying background to be RICS qualified and to have extensive planning experience.

Our Team

Our planning team comprises a mixture of RTPI and RICS Planners working across Local Plan, Neighbourhood Plan and planning application projects. Our current Planners come from both private and public sector backgrounds and range from graduate to Director level. We work closely with our RICS surveying, architecture and design colleagues to deliver projects for a diverse client base. The role offers the opportunity to work closely with clients to understand and realise their objectives as part of a multidisciplinary team.

Terms and Conditions

Both full and part time candidates are encouraged to apply. Salary will depend on experience but is unlikely to be limiting for the right person. Sworders offers flexible and hybrid working, a generous holiday allowance and a discretionary bonus package. We pay professional subscriptions and fund approved CPD.

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