

**JOB DESCRIPTION & PERSON SPECIFICATION**

**Director Area: GL CCA**

**Job Ref Number:**

**Service Area: Resources**

**Grade: G11**

**Job Title: Strategic Planner (Spatial Development)**

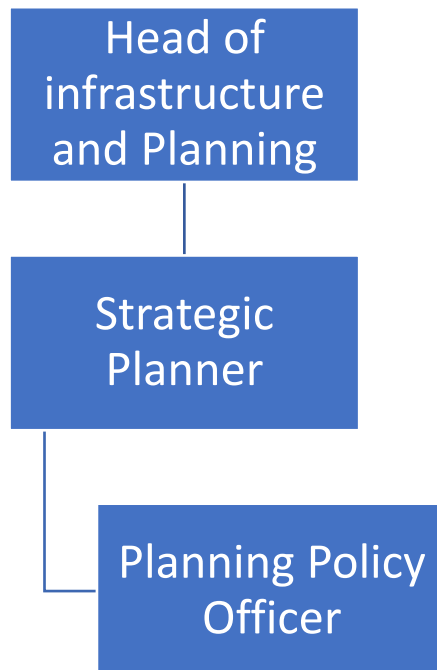
**PURPOSE OF JOB:**

The postholder will deliver effective and efficient services on a strategic level throughout the GLCCA in assessing and determining applications for planning permission, associated planning conditions, and related consents.

**The role will be required to:**

- Lead and support the preparation of the area’s Spatial Development Strategy and related strategic planning policies. The role will coordinate planning, infrastructure, housing and economic priorities to ensure sustainable growth across the area.
- The postholder will work closely with local planning authorities, government bodies, infrastructure providers, and stakeholders to develop a shared spatial vision for the future of the area.
- Lead on the GLCCA’s response to national and regional publications in relation to all planning issues, Statutory Undertakers and national policy documents.
- Acting as the Council’s expert witness in the preparation and giving of evidence at Examinations in Public and public inquiries.

**TEAM STRUCTURE:**



MAIN DUTIES:

- 1 Lead on the preparation of the Spatial Development Strategy, including evidence gathering, policy drafting and consultation.
- 2 Develop strategic spatial policies on housing growth, employment land, infrastructure, transport, and environmental protection.
- 3 Translate economic and infrastructure priorities into spatial planning policy.
- 4 Commission and manage the preparation of the evidence base (housing need, employment land, infrastructure capacity and environmental constraints).
- 5 Analyse demographic, economic and land use data to inform spatial planning decisions.
- 6 Use GIS and Spatial analysis to support strategy development.
- 7 Work collaboratively with local planning authorities, Homes England, infrastructure providers, developers and government departments.
- 8 Facilitate workshops and consultation process with partners and communities.
- 9 Support engagement with elected members and the Mayor.
- 10 Prepare reports and briefings for senior officers, Board and the Mayor.
- 11 Ensure Lincolnshire spatial planning work aligns with national planning policy and legislation.
- 12 Contribute to the programme management of the Spatial Development Strategy, ensuring milestones and consultation requirements are met.
- 13 Support procurement and management of specialist consultants.
- 14 Represent the Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority with external working parties and supporting with planning matters for CCA Schemes.
- 15 Act as the Council's expert witness in the preparation and giving of evidence at Examinations in Public and public inquiries.
- 16 Lead on the GLCCA's response to national and regional publications in relation to all planning issues, Statutory Undertakers and national policy documents.
- 17 Maintain up-to-date knowledge of, and full compliance with, all relevant legislation, organisational procedures, policies and professional codes of conduct to ensure standards of best practice are upheld.

***This is not a complete statement of all duties and responsibilities of this post. The postholder may be required to perform other duties as directed by their line manager that are commensurate with the level of the post. This document will also be supplemented by key objectives which will be set through the performance and development review process.***

*This post is not designated as a politically restricted post in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (as amended) and by regulations made from time to time by the Secretary of State.*



*The role will be based full-time in Greater Lincolnshire, with a requirement to travel.*

## Person Specification

Requirements	Where identified*	Essential	Desirable
Degree or Postgraduate Diploma in Town and Country Planning or related discipline	A	✓	
Full Membership of the Royal Town Planning Institute. (RTPI)	A	✓	
Significant experience in planning policy or spatial planning	A	✓	
Knowledge of the UK planning system and national planning policy	I	✓	
Awareness and understanding of the role of Combined County Authorities and Agencies such as Environment Agency, Natural England, etc	I	✓	
Experience analysing spatial demographic or economic data	A	✓	
Ability to work independently with minimum supervision to prioritise own workloads, measure and evaluate own performance and progress	A	✓	
Excellent written and verbal communication skills.	A / I	✓	
Ability to read, understand and explain technical drawings and plans.	A	✓	
Knowledge of Local Government procedures and awareness and ability to work within a political environment,	I		✓
Maintain an expertise in relation to current and professional best practice in relation to field of work	I		✓
Managerial and leadership skills to motivate and encourage staff and contractors to aspire to provide an excellent planning service.	A / I	✓	
Excellent interpersonal skills including time management, negotiation and influencing skills.	A/ I	✓	
Knowledge of legislation in related sectors and the work of Agencies involved in these areas	A		✓
Highly competent in the use of a range of Information Technology including MS Office, database systems, and Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	A	✓	

Requirements	Where identified*	Essential	Desirable
An understanding and knowledge of General Data Protection Regulation, Environmental Information Regulations and Freedom of Information Act	A/I	✓	
Experience working across multiple local authorities or partnerships	I		✓