Are you thinking about taking the next step in your planning policy career? If you are, then we want to hear from you! You could be the perfect person to take on a new senior role in planning policy at Waltham Forest Council.

This is an exciting opportunity for a confident and experienced planning policy officer to deliver our progressive and ambitious plans for the future of the borough. You will support the adoption of our emerging Local Plan and help with its delivery over the coming years. Housing, jobs, creativity, active travel, culture, social infrastructure, green and blue infrastructure, urban greening, biodiversity net gain … you name it – we’re working up exciting plans for it! We’re bursting with energy and opportunity – and we celebrate the strength in diversity. We want to hear from people of all different types of backgrounds.

**The Role – Planning Policy for Place Principal Officer**

In this role, you will be an important part of the planning policy service embedded in our innovative Place and Design Team. You will be shaping and delivering our statutory planning policy function, including our emerging new Local Plan, other statutory plans, and an ambitious programme of thematic SPDs, design codes, masterplans, area frameworks and planning briefs. You will also provide planning policy advice to Development Management colleagues and development partners.

You will ensure that the delivery of vibrant, successful places is at the heart of planning policy and provide specialist expertise and guidance to officers across council services, members, developers, the public and other stakeholders.

You will adopt a flexible and pragmatic approach to the allocation of resources across the service to match demand, ensure the delivery of specific projects, and provide opportunities for team members’ career development and growth.

The attached **Role Profile** (PO4 -5 grade) gives more details about the role – but if you have any questions at all, please do reach out to us.

**Flexible working:**

We are embracing a hybrid approach to working in the office and working from home. We do ask team members to come into the office for at least one day a week, but for the rest of the week it’s up to you where you work from. We’d also be happy to talk about any other flexible working arrangements you’d like to discuss.

Do you think this looks interesting, but you’re not sure? Do you have questions about the role, or what it’s like to work at Waltham Forest? If you do, please contact Marcin Manikowski, Head of Strategic Planning and Infrastructure [marcin.manikowski@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:marcin.manikowski@walthamforest.gov.uk)

We’re really looking forward to hearing from you.