Hazlewoods

Farms & Estates Team Apprentice

Team and Role Overview

The Farms and Estates team has a portfolio which requires over 700 sets of accounts and business tax computations to be prepared annually.

Our clients range from the traditional family farm partnership to larger scale soft fruit producers and poultry units. We also act for estates holding land and property in trusts. There is a huge amount of variety in both client activities and trading structures.

The team works in an open plan office, comprising just over 40 staff in total. The office is based in **Staverton.**

One to one support will be available from an allocated mentor throughout your time in the team.

The following tasks are examples of duties you may undertake; however, the list is not exhaustive.

We offer practical experience in the following:

- Interrogating client data in order to prepare the year end working papers file. The majority of clients use Sage or Xero, but several specialised packages are also routinely used such as Landmark, Farmplan and Sum-It
- Calculation of balance sheet items such as fixed assets, depreciation, accruals and prepayments
- Preparation of year-end accounts using accounts software. We act for a range of business types including sole traders, partnerships, LLPs, limited companies and trusts
- Preparation of business tax computations using tax software. Review of profit and loss items to identify costs non-deductible for tax
- Review of fixed asset additions for capital allowances. Understanding how the accounts profit converts to a taxable profit
- Attendance at a client meeting to observe. Typically, the accounts and tax take up less than half the meeting time, with bigger picture issues being discussed.