

**Employer**

Willis & Co.

**Location**

Chippenham, Wiltshire

**Salary**

A competitive salary together with a contributory pension scheme, annual leave entitlement and payment of professional membership fees available depending upon qualifications and experience.

**Closing date**

September 2021

**Willis & Co., a leading rural planning consultancy based in Wiltshire, are looking to recruit a (1) Senior/Principal Planner and (2) a Graduate Planner to join our team.**

**(1) Senior/Principal Planner**

You will be responsible for a variety of projects for farming, landowner, developer and HA clients throughout England and Wales. You will prepare and co-ordinate planning applications and appeals for a variety of residential and commercial schemes. You will have the opportunity to win your own business and will play an important part in the growth of the team. The role includes;

- client liaison and management
- research and preparation of initial advice, identifying risks and opportunities
- leading the day-to-day management of individual projects
- liaison with Council officers, clients, other members of the design and advisory team
- the preparation and submission of a wide variety of planning and similar applications
- attending and presenting at Planning Committee meetings
- the preparation and presentation of evidence to planning appeals, hearings and inquiries

You should have excellent written and verbal communication skills. The successful candidate should be MRTPI (or eligible for Membership) and have gained at least 3 years (Senior)/ 5 years (Principal) experience in either a local authority or consultancy. You will have a degree or post-graduate qualification accredited by the RTPI.

**(2) Graduate Planner**

You will assist in all aspects of the consultancy, carrying out research and preparing advice, applications and appeal work and monitoring projects under the supervision of the Principal Planners. However, this is not a 'back-office' role. You will be closely involved with projects from beginning to end.

You should have excellent written and verbal communication skills. The successful candidate should be working towards Membership of the RTPI. You will be studying for, or have recently obtained, a degree or post-graduate qualification accredited by the RTPI.

**Who we are;**

Founded 25 years ago, we specialise in rural planning across England and Wales. We are small, but knowledgeable, experienced, independent, approachable and flexible. We believe we 'punch above our weight' on behalf of our clients, unrelentingly pursuing our clients goals with sound advice, commercial thinking, reasonableness and civility.

**What we offer;**

A competitive salary depending upon qualifications and experience, a contributory pension scheme, payment of professional membership fees and annual leave entitlement. We are a family-friendly employer and will consider part-time and flexible working arrangements.

If you are interested in either role, please apply now with your CV. Alternatively, please call Marc Willis on 01249 444975 for an informal discussion. No agencies, please.