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| Property Officer |
| Division: | **Corporate Services** |
| Department: | **Governance**  |
| Reports to: | **Senior Property Officer**  |
| Number of direct reports: | **Nil** |
| Location:  | **Yalawanyi Ganya, Taree** |
| Grade: | **8** |
| Employment status: | **Full-time** |
| Hours of work: | **35** |
| Date approved:  | **February 2024** |

**Our Mission**

“We deliver benefits for our community in a way that adds value and builds trust”.

**Our Values**

Organisational values are a critical component of our organisational culture. Council staff and management have created and adopted the following set of organisational values which help guide our decisions and behaviours.

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| Wellbeing | We value safety, security, health and happiness |
| Integrity  | We are open, honest, accountable and take pride in all we do |
| Sustainability | We use efficiencies, innovation and cooperation to achieve sustainable results |
| Respect | We work together respectfully ensuring inclusion, equality and open communication |

**Position Overview**

This position sits within the Property section of the Governance department and is responsible for the provision of property management services to both internal and external customers, as well as investigating and responding to Aboriginal land claims made over Council owned and managed land.

**Key Accountabilities & Duties**

* Responsible for the property management of council land and buildings, including leasing, licencing or granting of other estates in respect of Council property.
* Assist the Council's appointed Native Title Manager with researching in the preparation of reports to satisfy Council's obligations under the Crown Land Management Act 2016 (NSW) and associated legislation, including the making of enquiries in connection with the Native Title Tribunal, Native Title Tribunal Determinations, ILUA's and court decisions to identify the status of Crown land managed by Council.
* Responsible for investigating and responding to Aboriginal land claims made under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW) which affect Council owned and managed land (including Crown land).
* Assist GIS staff with the maintenance and management of the Aboriginal land claims GIS layer, which provides information to Council officers about any active claims across the region.
* Act in consultation with Council’s Coordinator Property Services and Senior Property Officer in the performance of all property management functions relating to Council’s diverse property portfolio through the application of specialised knowledge and skills.
* Determine property status through understanding deposited plans, certificates of title, registered dealings, zoning, history and heritage and general knowledge of conveyancing principles.
* Work collaboratively with Council’s Legal Team to update Council’s various property lease and licensing templates.
* Assist the Senior Property Officer and Coordinator Property Services with undertaking appropriate selection processes (including EOIs and tenders) for prospective lessees of Council properties, applying Council policy and the principles of sound financial management.
* Conduct periodic inspections of the various leases/licences and other agreements in place with occupiers of Council’s diverse rental portfolio.
* Liaise with lessees, licensees, community groups, potential occupiers or their representative, Government Agencies, landowners, surveyors, legal and valuation representatives and other stakeholders as required in relation to property management matters.
* Prepare and submit with recommendations and reports relating to various property management matters to the Senior Property Officer and Property Services Coordinator and provide advice and support to Council staff about property management matters especially in respect of relevant legislative provisions (e.g. Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and Crown Land Management Act 2016 (NSW) requirements).
* Register outgoing correspondence, reports, agendas and business papers in Council's Electronic Records Management System.
* Work Health & Safety - All Council staff are accountable for ensuring that they fulfil their specific responsibilities, duties and due diligence requirements under the NSW Work, Health & Safety legislation. Staff are also required to adhere to Council's relevant safe work instructions, policies and procedures.
* Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) - All Council staff are required to adhere to Council's EEO policies and procedures.
* Delegations - All Council staff are required to comply with the financial and operational delegations issued to them as per Council's delegations register.
* Other duties within the employee's skill, competence and training level, as required to meet business needs.

**Selection Criteria**

1. TAFE Diploma in property management/real estate/conveyancing related discipline or similar field.
2. Extensive experience in the negotiation and preparation of leases, licences and other tenancies.
3. Substantial knowledge of contract, lease and licence legislation, procedures and documentation.
4. Demonstrated initiative, self-motivation and the ability to work independently, prioritise tasks and meet deadlines.
5. Demonstrated commitment to a high level of customer service and the ability to engage with members of the community and users of council’s facilities.
6. Sound decision making and problems solving skills.
7. Sound knowledge of MS Office suite.
8. Proven ability to work within a team environment, build relationships and work collaboratively to achieve desired goals.
9. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
10. Demonstrated ability to develop and maintain constructive relationships and partnerships, both internally and externally, that contribute to the achievement of organisational outcomes.
11. Demonstrated ability to meet the focus capability requirements of this position as defined in the position capabilities.
12. Current Class C Drivers Licence

**Position Capabilities**

The Local Government Capability Framework describes the core knowledge, skills and abilities expressed as behaviours, which set out clear expectations about performance in local government: “how we do things around here”. It builds on organisational values and creates a common sense of purpose.

More detailed descriptors of capabilities are available at:<http://capability.lgnsw.org.au/?staff-member>

Below is the full list of capabilities and the level required for this position. The capabilities in bold are the focus capabilities for this position.

| Local Government Capability Framework |
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| **Capability Group** | **Capability Name** | **Level** |
| **Personal attributes** | **Manage Self** | **Intermediate** |
| Display Resilience and Courage | Adept |
| Act with Integrity | Adept |
| Demonstrate Accountability | Adept |
| **Relationships** | **Communicate and Engage** | **Intermediate** |
| **Community and Customer Focus** | **Intermediate** |
| **Work Collaboratively** | **Intermediate** |
| Influence and Negotiate | Adept |
| **Results** | **Plan and Prioritise** | **Intermediate** |
| Think and Solve Problems  | Adept |
| Create and Innovate | Adept |
| Deliver Results | Intermediate |
| **Resources** | Finance | Intermediate |
| Assets and Tools | Adept |
| Technology and Information | Adept |
| Procurement and Contracts | Adept |

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| ACKNOWLEDGEMENT |
| This position description is a broad description of the accountabilities, duties and required capabilities relating to this position. The role and position are dynamic and may evolve and change over time in line with changing strategic and operational requirements. Continuing development, change and improvement of processes, practices, knowledge, skills and behaviours is expected at MidCoast Council.  |
| I have signed below in acknowledgement of reading, understanding and accepting the contents of this document. I accept that, with consultation, my duties may be modified by MidCoast Council from time to time as necessary. |
| Employee's Signature: |  Date: |

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| Is a Working with Children Check required for this position? | **Yes** [ ]  **No** [ ]  |
| Is a criminal record check required for this position? | **Yes** [ ]  **No** [ ]  |