

POSITION DESCRIPTION	
Title:	Senior Development Assessment Officer
Group:	City Development
Reports to:	Manager Planning
Grade:	18-19
Hours:	35 hours per week
Vehicle:	Vehicle or Allowance may be offered to the preferred applicant

# **Position Purpose**

To assess Development Applications in accordance with delegations, Council Policy and relevant legislation.

## **Qualifications and Experience**

(Minimum required/essential for success in the job)

#### **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:**

- Relevant qualifications in Urban and Regional Planning
- Extensive experience in assessing, determining and peer review of complex Development Applications, including a range of different land uses and classes of buildings
- Demonstrated comprehensive knowledge of Environmental Planning and Assessment Act
- Demonstrated high-level negotiation and dispute resolution skills to define policy requirements.
- Demonstrated excellent customer service, written and verbal communication skills and conflict resolution skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Highly developed time management skills
- Ability to represent Council in the Land and Environment Court
- Experience in using a quality management system or other business improvement initiatives
- Current driver's license

### **DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

- Eligible for membership of PIA
- · Ability to supervise, train, mentor and coach staff
- Experience in urban release areas

## Main Activities/Tasks

Council operates on the principle of existing to provide benefits for our Community, Councillors, Customers and the Council itself – we call this the 4C's. This position is required to do everything they can to identify, develop, resource, provide, support and measure benefits to the 4C's.

# Assessment, determine and peer review Complex Development Applications (DA) in accordance with approved Delegations

- Ensure compliance with building codes, Council regulations/codes, town planning requirements and environmental planning legislation.
- Provision of accurate and consistent advice to internal and external customers.
- Attend Pre-lodgment meetings and prepare advice notes.
- Process Policy Review as required (eg. Review of DCP's etc).
- Appeals by applicants.

#### Provide supervision, coaching and guidance to staff:

- Coordinate with other seniors a positive environment for City Development staff.
- Ensure decision making processes are appropriate and consistent.
- Being directly involved in decision making and staff support.
- Informing staff of relevant issues in the development assessment process.

#### Contribute to the overall management of the Organisation:

- Coordinate department meetings and arrange agenda/minutes that contribute to staff educational growth
- Attend and participate in management meetings and committees and work cooperatively with other Council officers
- Actively participate in Integrated Planning and Reporting

#### Other duties as directed within the limits of skill, competence and training.

#### Work Health & Safety tasks:

- Required to take reasonable care of yourself and others in the workplace
- Cooperate with all health and safety policies and procedures agreed to by management and staff
- Report any unsafe conditions that are identified
- Not bypass or misuse systems or equipment provided for OH&S purposes
- Participate in WH&S training as required and contribute to the identification of hazards and assessment of risks as required

#### **Accountability and Behaviours**

- To ensure that they are accountable for their behaviours in the delivery of their duties noted in the position and other functions relating to their role.
- To conduct yourself at all times in accordance with Council's Core Organisation Values when dealing with Council, Community, Customers and Councillors (4C's).

#### **Organisational Values**

 Apply and demonstrate Council's Core Organisation Values - Collaboration, Accountability, Integrity, Respect, Sustainability