

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title:	Senior Planner
Award/Agreement:	TOC Enterprise Agreement 2021 (and any subsequent agreement)
Classification level:	9
Directly reports to:	Manager Planning
Positions under Direct Supervision:	Nil

Organisational Context of Position

The Town of Claremont employs over 100 staff and is responsible for the local government area of approximately 5km². The Town has a population of approximately 11,000 people and is located in the picturesque western suburbs of Perth, Western Australia. The Town has five key goals areas: Leadership and Governance, People, Liveability, Environmental Sustainability and Prosperity.

Organisational Mission

We exist to deliver quality services for Claremont today and to build the foundation for the future.

Organisational Vision

The Town is a progressive, respectful, sustainable, local government supporting a connected, flourishing community.

Organisational Values

- **Respect:** We are responsible for how we behave in our workplace and will show respect and courtesy to all of our colleagues and customers.
- **Integrity:** We are open, accountable and honest.
- **Quality Communication:** We demonstrate our respect for our community and each other through timely, accurate and understandable communication.
- **Customer Service:** Every contact with a customer is important and an opportunity to demonstrate our commitment.
- **Excellence:** Our focus is quality outcomes achieved on time, on budget.

OBJECTIVE OF THIS POSITION

To assist with tasks and responsibilities relating to strategic and statutory land use planning.

Objective 1: Strategy and Statutory Planning

- Undertake assessment and processing of Development Applications, subdivision and other applications in accordance with the Local Planning Framework and the Town policies.
- To oversee the assessment of applications for building permits to ensure compliance with all Town Planning requirements.
- Prepare high quality and accurate advice and reports in relation to planning matters.
- Assist the Manager in the operation of the Development Control Unit.
- In conjunction with the Manager, undertake Planning Policy and Local Law formulation and review.
- Prepare, investigate, attend, and report on compliance matters.
- Assist in maintaining and preparing work procedures.
- Maintain knowledge and appreciation of current planning requirements, principles and practices as may be applicable for the efficient and proper planning of the Town.
- Provide technical advice and information on planning issues.
- Carry out other duties as requested by management which may be reasonably expected within the scope of the classification level and skill base of the employee.

Objective 2: Work Health & Safety (For all Staff)

- Comply with all workplace procedures for hazard identification, risk assessment and risk control.
- Actively participate in safety activities associated with the management of workplace health and safety.
- Follow policy and procedures as required.
- Take reasonable care to ensure his/her own safety and health at work.
- Avoid adversely affecting the safety of any other person.
- Identification and reporting of health and safety hazards, accidents, incidents, injuries, property damage at the workplace.
- Ensure the correct personal protective equipment is used for the task or activity.

Objective 3: Corporate Responsibility (All Staff)

- In all actions, be accountable and employ ethical decision making and good governance in line with Town's Code of Conduct, values, policies and procedures.
- Demonstrate an ongoing commitment to the Town's Customer Experience Charter.
- Provide a high level of customer service.
- Promote and maintain harmonious relationships in the workplace.
- Ensure efficient and appropriate use of resources.
- Ensure compliance with purchasing policies and best practice in purchasing.
- Promote the development of efficient work practices.
- Maintain good relations with the general public and promote Council's operations in a professional manner at all times.
- Adhere and follow the Town's Record Keeping Plan.
- Carry out other duties as requested by management which may be reasonably expected within the scope of the classification level and skill base of the employee.

Objective 4: Continuous Improvement (All Staff)

- Employ the mind set of continuous improvement to all work tasks.
- Support team members to review and analyse processes to identify possible improvements.
- Contribute to developing a culture of acknowledging and celebrating efforts to improve processes.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Essential

- Tertiary Urban and Regional Planning qualification.
- Relevant work experience.
- Demonstrated experience with current strategic & statutory urban planning requirements, principles and practices.
- Experience in interpreting planning legislation and the Planning Framework.
- Highly developed and demonstrated communication, time management and organisational skills.
- Excellent computer literacy and communication skills.

Desirable

- Statutory land use planning knowledge and experience.
- Urban design experience and graphic presentation skills.

REQUIREMENTS

The Town requires all staff prior to commencing employment to:

- Provide an original qualification for sighting or a certified copy of qualification (where listed as Essential in Position Description).
- Provide for sighting 100 points of identification including at least one with a photograph (i.e. Driver's License and Passport or Birth Certificate).
- Provide a Police Clearance (at employee cost).
- Provide evidence of the Right to Work in Australia.
- Complete a pre-employment medical (Town's GP to confirm fitness to work in position) or completion of a medical questionnaire.
- Sign a change of circumstances employee declaration.

Some positions may be required to undertake other checks and verifications such as Working With Children Check and these will be specifically indicated in the Selection Criteria.

PROBATION

Unless otherwise stated in a Letter of Offer, this position is subject to a 6 month probation period, at which time work performance will be reviewed to determine whether permanent appointment will proceed.

Signatures

Chief Executive Officer Approval

Signature

Date

Employee

Signature

Date