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Job Title	Range	Duties	Level A (Developing)	Level B (Practising)	Level C (Accomplished)
Assistant Enforcement Officer	Range 3	 Investigate alleged breaches of planning control following the necessary procedures and undertaking site visits. 	Required for this level (in addition to all previous levels, if applicable)	In addition to level A	In addition to levels A and B
		 Make recommendations including inviting planning applications or recommending Enforcement Action, preparing the required letters and reports. 	 Qualifications GCSE standard in English Minimum of 3 A levels (or other Level 3 qualification) including Geography or similar subject related to planning. 	Qualifications Undertaking a degree in a planning related subject.	 Qualifications Degree in planning related subject
	 Working with other officers within the Enforcement Team and Development Management to produce reports for formal Enforcement Action and serving the relevant Notices. To work with planning officers and legal where necessary to defend appeals against notices and to prepare necessary paperwork, attend and give evidence in court in relation to prosecution proceedings. Maintain complete and accurate IT records to document all stages of the investigations. To work with the Business Development Manager to ensure that the IT systems are maintained enabling performance reports to be produced and to ensure the efficient and effective use of IT in the enforcement process. At the discretion of the Head of Service, such other activities as may from time to time be agreed consistent with the nature of the job described above. 	 Knowledge Knowledge and understanding of IT systems and their application in planning related processes. Knowledge of the UK planning system and the role of planning enforcement. A good understanding of equality, diversity and inclusion. A good understanding of GDPR legislation and best practice in relation to information sharing. 	 Knowledge Demonstrable knowledge of investigations of a range of breaches of planning control. Knowledge of the varying types of appropriate planning enforcement action. 	 Knowledge Extensive knowledge of investigations of a range of breaches of planning control. 	
		 Experience At least 12 months experience in planning related field. At least 12 months experience in using legislative systems similar to those required for planning. Demonstrable experience of thoroughly analyzing information, and considering alternative solutions, adapting to new ways of working where necessary. Experience of dealing with customers in a courteous and helpful way by keeping them advised of progress and 	 Experience Experience in a planning enforcement role. Experience of investigating breaches of planning control and making appropriate recommendations. Experience of serving Planning Enforcement Notices. 	 Experience Extensive experience in a planning enforcement role investigating a full range of alleged planning breaches. Extensive experience of serving Planning Enforcement Notices and other relevant Notices 	

Enforcement	Range 4	• Investigate alleged breaches of	offering them a solution to their problem. Demonstrable experience of taking responsibility for own actions and development opportunities, maintaining high levels of integrity. Skills Proficient in the use of Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook Full driving licence valid for use in the UK and access to own transport for work purposes Good analytical and research skills. Ability to communicate in a manner which is easily understood and tailored to meet the needs of the audience. Ability to manage time effectively, planning own workload and setting appropriate objectives and deadlines. Ability to think about alternative ways of doing things and being open to new work practices and responsive to change. Ability to deal effectively, confidently, diplomatically, sensitively and assertively with confrontational situations. Ability to demonstrate an understanding of how teams work with other services and takes a proactive approach towards helping others	Skills Demonstrable negotiation skills to remedy breaches of planning control. Ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences including Councillors	Skills Ability to work independently on caseload with minimal supervision or assistance. Ability to use own judgement and creativity to assess situations, solve problems and adapt to new ways of working.
Officer Officer	kange 4	 Investigate alleged breaches of planning control following the necessary procedures and undertaking site visits. To act as lead officer on 	Required for this level (in addition to all previous levels, if applicable) Qualifications	In addition to level A Qualifications	In addition to levels A and B Qualifications
		complex and sensitive planning enforcement cases working in partnership with internal and external agencies	 GCSE standard in English Minimum of 3 A levels (or other Level 3 qualification) including Geography or similar subject related to planning. 	Undertaking a degree in a planning related subject	Degree in planning related subject

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Make recommendations including inviting planning applications or recommending	types of appropriate planning enforcement action, including Enforcement Notices, Breach of Condition Notices and Planning Contravention Notices. A good understanding of equality, diversity and inclusion.	 Extensive knowledge of how to investigate a range of breaches of planning control. Demonstrable knowledge of the varying types of appropriate planning enforcement action, including Enforcement Notices, Breach of Condition Notices and Planning Contravention Notices. 	Extensive knowledge of the varying types of appropriate planning enforcement action, including Enforcement Notices, Breach of Condition Notices and Planning Contravention Notices.
investigations. To work with the Business Development Manager to ensure that the IT systems are maintained enabling performance reports to be produced and to ensure the efficient and effective use of IT in the enforcement process. At the discretion of the Head of Service, such other activities as may from time to time be agreed consistent with the nature of the job described above.	At least 3 years' experience in planning related field, including at least 12 months being involved in enforcement proceedings. At least 3 years' experience in using legislative systems similar to those required for planning. Demonstrable experience of coping well under pressure and difficult situations, able to identify and act on own development needs. Demonstrable experience of thoroughly analyzing information, and considering alternative solutions, adapting to new ways of working where necessary. Demonstrable experience of contributing to change and listening to new ideas. Demonstrable experience of	 Experience Demonstrable experience of serving Planning Enforcement (and related) Notices. Extensive experience in a planning enforcement role investigating a full range of alleged planning breaches. Experience of undertaking a multidisciplinary investigation working closely with partner agencies to achieve a common outcome. 	 Experience Extensive experience of serving Planning Enforcement (and related) Notices. Extensive experience of undertaking a multi-disciplinary investigation working closely with partner agencies to achieve a common outcome

taking responsibility for own actions and development

			 opportunities, maintaining high levels of integrity. Skills Proficient in the use of Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook Full driving licence valid for use in the UK and access to own transport for work purposes Good analytical and research skills. Ability to use the most appropriate style and method of communication with people at different levels inside and outside of the organization including Councillors. Ability to manage time effectively, planning own workload and setting appropriate objectives and deadlines. Ability to deal effectively, confidently, diplomatically, sensitively and assertively with confrontational situations. Demonstrable negotiation skills to remedy breaches of planning control. Ability to demonstrate a wide understanding of customer needs and being able to manage their expectations. Ability to demonstrate an understanding of how teams work with other services and 	Skills Excellent negotiation skills to remedy breaches of planning control. Excellent analytical and research skills.	Skills Exceptional negotiation skills to remedy breaches of planning control. Good customer care skills, with experience of adapting services, where possible, to meet customer needs. Ability to work independently on caseload with minimal supervision or assistance.
			Ability to demonstrate an understanding of how teams		
Senior Enforcement Officer	Range 5	Investigate and make recommendations on all types of alleged breaches of planning control following the	Required for this level (in addition to all previous levels, if applicable)	In addition to level A	In addition to levels A and B
		necessary procedures and undertaking site visits and to	Qualifications Professional Qualification	Qualifications •	Qualifications •

liaise with the Derelict Buildings and Empty Properties Officer where required. To act as lead officer on complex and sensitive planning enforcement cases working in partnership with internal and external agencies including legal, the Police and Environment Agency. To take formal enforcement action where appropriate including the writing statement of reasons for relevant Notices and direct action. To work with planning officers and legal where necessary to defend appeals against notices, including attendance at appeals and to attend and give evidence in court in relation to prosecution proceedings. To lead on updating Planning Enforcement processes and procedure notes to ensure the delivery of an efficient Planning Enforcement Service. To be responsible for a large amount of confidential computerized planning information including;	 Degree in planning related subject OR Professional Experience A minimum of 5 GCSES (at grade 4-9) or equivalent, including English and Maths and experience in working with enforcement/legislative proceedings for a period of at least 5 years Knowledge Demonstrable competence with ICT packages especially Microsoft Office, Planning related IT packages, Land Registry and electronic document management systems. Demonstrable knowledge and understanding of principles, processes and practical application of legislation related to Planning. Extensive knowledge of the varying types of appropriate planning enforcement action. A good understanding of equality, diversity and inclusion and how these impact the workplace. A detailed understanding of GDPR legislation and best practice in relation to information sharing 	 Knowledge Extensive knowledge of investigations of a range of breaches of planning control. Complete knowledge of the varying types of appropriate planning enforcement action. Knowledge of the legal processes and procedures in relation to unresolved breaches of planning control. 	Knowledge Complete knowledge of the legal processes and procedures in relation to unresolved breaches of planning control
Preparing prosecution papers where necessary against the failure to comply with the relevant legal requirements and attend Court when required.	At least 5 years' experience in planning related field, including in enforcement proceedings. At least 5 years' experience in	Demonstrable experience of preparing reports to Planning Committee on the Planning Enforcement function. Extensive experience of serving	Experience • Extensive experience of serving Planning Enforcement (and related) Notices and prosecutions/direct action.
Maintaining the list of cases with formal action for Planning Committee. Attend Planning Committee to represent Planning Enforcement and present progress reports. To work with the Business Development Manager to ensure	using legislative systems similar to those required for planning. Demonstrable experience of the use of enforcement powers available under legislation related to Planning or similar. Demonstrable experience of coping well under pressure	Planning Enforcement (and related) Notices. Extensive experience in a planning enforcement role investigating a full range of alleged planning breaches	Extensive experience of preparing reports to Planning Committee on the Planning Enforcement function

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	process.	Demonstrable experience of		
		analysing information,		
		considering alternatives and		
		making recommendations and decisions on different courses of		
		action.		
		Experience in dealing with a		
		range of customers including		
		difficult and obstructive people as well as those that may be		
		vulnerable.		
		Demonstrable experience of		
		contributing to change and		
		listening to new ideas.		
		Demonstrable experience of		
		coping well under pressure		
		and difficult situations, able to		
		identify and act on own		
		development needs.		
		Demonstrable experience of		
		taking responsibility for own		
		actions and development		
		opportunities, maintaining		
		high levels of integrity. Skills	Skills	Skills
		Proficient in the use of Microsoft	Excellent negotiation skills to remedy	Exceptional negotiation skills
		Word, Excel and Outlook.	breaches of planning control.	to remedy breaches of
		Full driving licence valid for use in		planning control.
		the UK and access to own	skills.	Exceptional analytical and
		transport for work purposes.	Excellent ability to manage time	research skills.
		Good analytical and research	effectively, planning own workload and	Good presentation skills to
		skills.	setting appropriate objectives and	deliver to a range of audiences.
		Ability to communicate in a	deadlines	Ability to work independently on
		manner which is easily		caseload with minimal supervision
		understood and tailored to		or assistance
		meet the needs of the		
		audience.		
		Demonstrable ability to manage		
		time effectively, planning own		
		workload and setting appropriate		
		objectives and deadlines.		
		Ability to deal effectively,		
		confidently, diplomatically,		
		sensitively and assertively with		
		confrontational situations.		

Derelict & Empty Buildings Officer Range 5 To identify, investigate and inspect properties within Medway which are empty and/or harmful to the character of the area and make recommendations following the necessary procedures and to liaise with Accepting differences and treating everyone fairly Required for this level (in addition to all previous levels, if applicable) In addition to level A In addition to levels A and B Qualifications Qualifications • Degree in planning related subject				 Demonstrable ability to carry out effective problem solving and negotiation. Demonstrable ability to carry out cost assessments and take responsibility for procuring the services of external contractors to carry out direct action. Demonstrable ability to carry out risk assessments with regard to potential environmental hazards and personal safety prior to undertaking site visits. Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to deal with people with tact and diplomacy, including the ability to negotiate and mediate between various parties. Demonstrable ability to be selfmotivated, committed and use own initiative. Excellent customer care skills, with experience of adapting services, where possible, to meet customer needs. Demonstrable ability to work with other services and take a proactive approach towards helping others. Ability to demonstrate an understanding of how teams work with other services and takes a proactive approach towards helping others. Understanding of Commitment to equality and diversity 		
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Medway which are empty and/or harmful to the character of the area and make recommendations following the necessary procedures and to liaise with Medway which are empty and/or harmful to the character of the area and make recommendations following the necessary procedures and to liaise with all previous levels, if applicable) Qualifications • Qualifications • Degree in planning related subject	1	Range 5	To identify, investigate and			
make recommendations following the necessary procedures and to liaise with Professional Qualification Degree in planning related subject • Degree in planning related	Buildings Officer		Medway which are empty	-	In addition to level A	In addition to levels A and B
the Officers in the Professional Experience			make recommendations following the necessary	Professional QualificationDegree in planning related subjectOR	Qualifications •	Qualifications

Enforcement Team where required. To liaise with the owners and/or occupiers of the properties to seek voluntary action to upgrade the appearance of the property and/or bring it back into use and/or to take enforcement action (which may include prosecutions and direct action) against failure to improve the appearance of a property which is causing harm to the visual amenity of the area and/or long term empty properties. Represent and attend Court as necessary in association with any related enforcement action. To develop, maintain and monitoring a list of long term empty properties, prioritise cases and produce work schedules for properties. To identify and maximize any sources of available funding to facilitate the occupation of empty properties and to promote incentives that and develop strategies to encourage and persuade owners to bring empty properties back into use. Attend Planning Committee to represent and present progress reports on properties	 A minimum of 5 GCSES (at grade 4-9) or equivalent, including English and Maths and experience in working with enforcement/legislative proceedings for a period of at least 5 years Endowledge Demonstrable competence with ICT packages especially Microsoft Office, Planning related IT packages, Land Registry and electronic document management systems. Demonstrable knowledge and understanding of principles, processes and practical application of legislation related to Planning. Demonstrable knowledge of the varying types of enforcement powers available under legislation related to Planning, Building Regulations and/or Housing in order to bring about building repairs and/or the occupation of empty properties. A good understanding of equality, diversity and inclusion and how these impact thew workplace. A detailed understanding of GDPR legislation and best practice in relation to 	Knowledge • Full understanding of the planning application and associated processes. • Extensive knowledge of the varying types of enforcement powers available under legislation related to Planning, Building Regulations and/or Housing in order to bring about building repairs and/or the occupation of empty properties.	Knowledge Complete knowledge of the varying types of enforcement powers available under legislation related to Planning, Building Regulations and/or Housing in order to bring about building repairs and/or the occupation of empty properties
within Medway which are	information sharing Experience	Experience Experience	Experience
 empty and/or harmful to the character of the area. Develop and oversee production of the Council's Strategy for Managing Empty Properties, effectively measure the success of the Strategy and make data-driven decisions to enhance its effectiveness. Work closely with partners and Registered Social Landlords in order to bring about building 	 Demonstrable experience of using enforcement powers available under legislation related to Planning, Building Regulations and/or Housing in order to bring about building repairs and/or the occupation of empty properties. Demonstrable experience of working in Development Management and/or Housing within Local Authority. Demonstrable experience in 	 Extensive experience of using enforcement powers available under legislation related to Planning, Building Regulations and/or Housing in order to bring about building repairs and/or the occupation of empty properties. Extensive experience of working in Development Management and/or Housing within Local Authority. Demonstrable experience of dealing with a caseload of 	 Extensive experience of using enforcement powers available under legislation related to Planning, Building Regulations and/or Housing in order to bring about building repairs and/or the occupation of empty properties and prosecutions/direct action. Extensive experience of dealing with a caseload of planning applications

repairs and/or the occupation planning applications associated associated with properties carrying out investigative work. of empty properties. with properties within Medway within Medway which are Demonstrable experience in empty and/or harmful to the Provide pre-application advice which are empty and/or harmful inspecting properties to assess to the character of the area. character of the area. and process planning and produce requirements for applications related to cases Extensive experience of repair and maintenance work. Demonstrable experience of previously identified as causing Demonstrable experience in preparing reports to Planning preparing reports to Planning harm to visual amenity and/or dealing with a range of Committee on properties within Committee on properties within customers including difficult and empty properties to Medway which are empty and/or Medway which are empty determination including harmful to the character of the and/or harmful to the character obstructive people as well as undertaking site visits, those that may be vulnerable. area of the area providing advice and Demonstrable experience in negotiating with applicants, making assessments under agents and developers and the planning legislation on preparation of the necessary appropriateness in relation to delegated and committee applications for planning reports with recommendations permission. At the discretion of the Head Demonstrable experience of of Service, such other activities coping well under pressure as may from time to time be and difficult situations, able to agreed consistent with the identify and act on own nature of the job described development needs. above. Demonstrable experience of contributing to change and listening to new ideas. Skills Skills **Skills** • Proficient in the use of Excellent negotiation skills to Exceptional negotiation skills Microsoft Word, Excel and remedy harm to the visual amenity to remedy harm to the visual Outlook of the area and to encourage and amenity of the area and to Full driving licence valid for persuade owners to bring empty encourage and persuade use in the UK and access to properties back into use. owners to bring empty own transport for work properties back into use. Excellent ability to thoroughly purposes and ability to carry Exceptional ability to thoroughly researching and analysing out unaccompanied site visits. information, considering researching and analysing Demonstrable ability to information, considering alternatives and innovative thoroughly researching and solutions and making a alternatives and innovative analysing information, recommendations and decisions on solutions and making a considering alternatives and courses of action. recommendations and decisions innovative solutions and Excellent ability to manage time on courses of action. making a recommendations effectively, planning own workload Ability to work independently on and decisions on courses of and setting appropriate objectives caseload with minimal supervision action. and deadlines. or assistance. **Excellent communication skills** with the ability to present complex information in an understandable way.

Demonstrable ability to manage time effectively, planning own workload and setting appropriate

objectives and deadlines.

	 Demonstrable ability to carry out effective problem solving and negotiation 	
	 Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to deal with people with tact and diplomacy, including the ability to negotiate and mediate between various parties. 	
	 Demonstrable ability to be self- motivated, committed and use own initiative. 	
	 Excellent customer care skills, with experience of adapting services, where possible, to meet customer needs. 	
	 Demonstrable ability to work with other services and take a proactive approach towards helping others. 	
	 Understanding of Commitment to equality and diversity and the ability to apply this to all situations 	
•	 Flexibility to work varied hours on occasions. 	