

Senior Project Planner

If you're thinking there has to be more to life than being stuck on the motorway on a wet autumn morning, you're absolutely right. Come and live in the sunny Eastern Bay of Plenty!

Whakatane District Council is seeking an experienced and highly-organised planning professional to manage the resource consent applications required for the delivery of our infrastructure projects.

This role means you will be able to get out and about and when you're not at work, you will enjoy a great lifestyle, with access to beautiful beaches and forests, plenty of sun, and hardly any traffic.

We're looking for someone who is a clear communicator and can build effective and productive relationships with internal and external stakeholders. Reporting to the Manager Policy, Planning and Consents Compliance, the Senior Project Planner will be responsible for assessing and evaluating planning requirements, developing and implementing consultation plans and preparing and managing consent applications for Council projects, in accordance with the Resource Management Act.

Key prerequisites for success include:

- A relevant resource management qualification, and at least 5 years' postgraduate experience
- Accuracy, efficiency and sound judgement
- Strong people, negotiation and problem-solving skills
- The ability to prepare and present evidence at hearings
- The ability to create and maintain an effective resource consent database

Local government experience and knowledge of the Bay of Plenty region would also be advantageous.

This is an opportunity to work as part of a motivated, professional and community-focused team. Whakatane District Council is a whanau-orientated organisation. Work-life balance is important to us, so you'll have time to appreciate our fabulous climate and the lifestyle advantages offered by one of the most beautiful places in New Zealand.

To apply for this job go to: <http://whakatanecareers.co.nz/> & enter ref code: 4637606. Applications close 16 April 2019