



Planning Manager or Team Leader (Planner/ RMA) - Auckland Office

We are seeking an enthusiastic, committed and experienced person to perform the role of Planning Manager or Team Leader.

- Engage in a variety of interesting work
- Experience a great team and a fun working environment
- Enjoy a strong focus on your professional development

The company and role:

This role presents an exciting opportunity for a planner who wishes to step from a senior planning role into leading a small planning team, or an experienced team leader/ manager. You will have the support of three experienced planners (with 15 to 25 years experience) working with you. Quality leadership training will be provided to advance your career and you will be given a high level of autonomy. A combination of purpose, certainty, support and autonomy will enable you to innovate, gain confidence and grow your career.

Align is a thriving firm with a great culture that we have worked on very hard over recent years. We have offices in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch with more opening in other locations in the near future. We are multidisciplinary and provide planning, landscape architecture, urban design, Crown property and GIS services. Our clients are central and local government, Iwi, and commercial organisations in the housing, construction, roading, rail, education, electricity, gas, parks, irrigation, water, waste and council consent processing sectors. See <https://www.align.net.nz/>.

Key responsibilities include:

- Providing urban and environmental planning, and Resource Management Act services
- Leading our planning team of three intermediate/ junior planners
- Collaborating with other business managers on multidisciplinary projects
- Managing planning project workstreams, budgets and programmes
- Fostering relationships with prospective and existing clients and winning work
- Enhancing the culture, brand, reputation and commercial success of the company

The requirements for this role:

- A relevant tertiary or planning qualification
- 8 years plus experience of the Resource Management Act and other relevant legislation or thereabouts
- Local authority and Environment Court hearing experience
- Membership or eligibility for membership with the NZPI
- Extensive experience working with a wide range of stakeholders and environments typically affected by urban development, infrastructure, network utilities and other relevant projects
- Exceptional relationship building and interpersonal skills
- Proven employee and team management skills and experience
- Proven project management skills, and experience of project management tools and software
- Client relationship management and sales skills
- Effective organisational and time management skills
- Attention to detail in your work
- A propensity for teamwork and company systems
- An appreciation for the small to medium business environment
- Excellent presentation skills, and an ability to effectively and concisely communicate complex information
- Advanced researching and problem-solving skills, and
- Excellent verbal and written skills, numeric skills and computer literacy

For the right candidate, we will offer:

- Well located office
- Supportive company culture
- Competitive salary
- Payment of membership fees, conferences and training
- Choice of interesting projects across New Zealand
- Bonus scheme and for the right person commercial opportunities

All applications to be made through Seek:
<https://www.seek.co.nz/job/50149754>

The closing date for applications is the 17th of July 2020.

Applications will be treated in the strictest confidence.