



## **PLANNING MANAGER**

- Bring your technical experience and your enthusiasm, and make a difference in the local community
- Lead and mentor a high-performing, cohesive Planning team
- Work in a supportive and flexible work environment

South Wairarapa District Council (SWDC) supports the people of Martinborough, Featherston, Greytown and the surrounding district.

We are looking for a new Planning Manager to head up the planning function for our Council, based in the heart of the Martinborough wine region in the beautiful Wairarapa region and working throughout the South Wairarapa Region.

We are experiencing significant residential and commercial growth in our region and we are a relatively small council, so you will be someone who can juggle! The balls you need to keep up in the air include:

- The 'hands-on business-as-usual' work in the areas of resource consenting, advice and policy development work
- Developing and coaching the team and facilitating their performance to deliver results in a busy environment
- Managing both people and processes to effectively implement and shape District Plan matters for the growing South Wairarapa district.

The responsibilities include leading a small team, project management on consents for new developments, land use decision making, reporting, resolving urban growth issues, district spatial planning, and developing and maintaining the District Plan. There is also associated opportunity to influence systems/organisation improvement work and help lead district response to government policies and national directions.

Ideally you will have experience within the disciplines of planning, urban and rural resource management, stakeholder/community liaison and iwi engagement. We are interested to hear from people that can show experience across these disciplines, particularly if you can also demonstrate that you have strong relationship management and influencing skills, good project management, reporting and operational skills.

Your specific qualifications and experience will include:

- Degree or higher qualification in Resource Management / Planning or a closely allied field and preferably membership of the NZ Planning Institute.
- Recent experience in resource consent, District Plan Policy and strategic planning processes.
- A knowledge of the working of District Plans, and an ability to read and interpret maps and plans, including building plans and specifications, and scheme plans of subdivision.
- A sound working knowledge of the Resource Management Act and its practical implementation. An awareness and understanding of the relationship of the RMA with other development related legislation.
- Demonstrated ability and familiarity with common software packages (e.g. Microsoft Office, MS Word, and Excel) and ability to learn new systems and processes. Knowledge of Magiq (formerly NCS) would be an advantage.
- Current clean full driver's licence.

This is a great opportunity to work in Martinborough at the heart of one of New Zealand's growing visitor destinations. Our district's unique setting includes three distinct character towns, with wider rural areas, lake and coastal environment - for relaxing, family, surfing and great fishing, great outdoor hiking, and a great climate.

If this sounds like you and you have the skills and attitude to be successful in this role then apply today. For a copy of the job description, please email [vicki.mclachlan@swdc.govt.nz](mailto:vicki.mclachlan@swdc.govt.nz)

Your application should include a covering letter clearly outlining your fit for the role, and a current CV. You must be able to legally work in New Zealand. Closing date for applications is 5pm on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021.