

ROLE PROFILE

Function	Land & Planning	
Job Title	Trainee Land & Planning Manager	
Grade	C4	
Reporting Lines	Reports to	Regional Land Director and Group Planning Director

Aim of the role

The purpose of the role will be to support – and be an integral part of – the land team, helping the business to secure land opportunities to support its short and longer term growth plans. The role will offer the following:

- You will gain an in-depth knowledge into the research process used in securing immediate and strategic land – this work will involve detailed planning research and evaluation.
- You will be involved in the land search and land acquisition processes including travelling to view sites.
- You will be given exposure to the senior leaders within our business.
- You will build effective relationships with your colleagues, consultants, land agents and promoters.

Responsibilities and Duties

Site Searches

- Research local plan, SHLAA and land registry to identify suitable short and longer term opportunities and their availability
- Research the planning history of development sites and provide appropriate advice
- Strategically selecting locations to undertake searches, considering 5 year land supply position/planning status/market values/business need etc
- Evaluate potential sites based on technical and planning constraints

Site Acquisition

- Assist in identifying suitable sites for pursuing in the context of the Business Plan and land buying criteria
- Contact landowners/their agents and assist in discussions/negotiations
- Manage coordination of technical packs, securing sales and affordable revenues, and other information to feed into the land appraisal
- Assist colleagues in Commercial Department in producing a land appraisal
- Preparation/review of heads of terms, Investment Committee packs, legal documentation

Networking & Market Awareness

- Build effective relationships with landowners, agents, promoters, competitors etc to keep them appraised of land buying requirements and identify any opportunities they may have
- Gather and share market intelligence/"gossip" from land agents (land values, contracted and non-contracted deals, who's active etc)

Land/Property Disposal

- Assist with sales of S106 affordable housing to Registered Providers
- Assist in sales of surplus land assets including self build plots, writing sales prospectus, researching planning and technical constraints on site, local policy, and market values, reviewing offers
- Conduct site viewings with potential purchasers



Monitor planning process after exchange (if applicable) to ensure successful completion

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General

- Develop and maintain an understanding of the land appraisal system
- Ensure databases are kept up to date (land leads, bids made and their analysis and retrospective review)
- Assist in the management of the Land Bank
- Gain knowledge of all technical aspects covering the acquisition and development of land and associated legal agreements

Knowledge Skills and Experience

- A degree OR relevant experience in discipline related to UK Land, Real Estate or Town Planning
- Interest in buying and selling land for residential development and other uses
- Willingness and keenness to learn
- Self-motivated, resilient, diligent, ambitious, creative and problem-solving skills
- Show initiative and possess a "can do" attitude with a "problem identification solution proposal" approach
- Team player, but able to work alone as required
- Possess strong commercial acumen to achieve business results
- Good understanding of Microsoft office suite outlook, excel and word
- Excellent organisational and time management skills
- Good written and verbal communication skills, with well-developed interpersonal and customer service skills
- Full UK driving licence

Desirable

- Understanding of land appraisals and how to generate land value
- Experience in project management



Trust and Integrity	 Maintains confidentiality Acts in a way that builds trust and confidence Treats everybody with dignity and respect TILIA HOMES
Enable and Support	 Develops positive working relationships with colleagues Respects the views and opinions of others Takes pride in the work they deliver as a team
Inspirational and Motivational	 Self-motivated Has a positive impact on others Solution focussed Strives for continuous improvement
Self-aware and resilient	 Practices self-reflection Reflects on own strengths and areas of development; seeks to make positive changes Awareness of personal limits and sets boundaries Understands the impact of their behaviour on others and seeks to have a positive impact
Purposeful and Decisive	 Considers the bigger picture Knows when to say no and when to escalate Committed to delivering objectives Prioritises workload