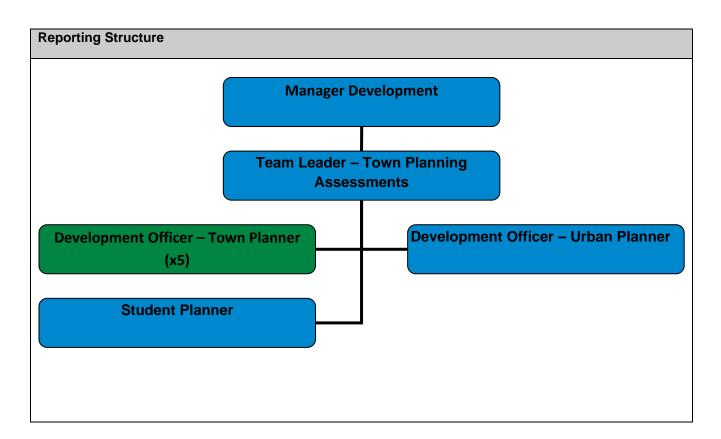


Position Description

Position Title	Development Officer Town Planner
Position Number	41071
Division	Development & Health
Branch	Development
Special Requirements	Drivers licence
Physical and Environmental Demands	Ability to carry out site inspections
Authorities	As applicable and as delegated by the General Manager

Key Direction/s	Actively Managing Camden's Growth
Local Service/s	Development Control



Position Purpose

To contribute to actively managing the growth of the LGA through effective development control.



Key Result Areas

- Development applications and inspections
- Policy and procedures
- Customer service
- Branch activities
- Corporate core values

Key Duties & Responsibilities

Development applications and inspections

- Assess, recommend and determine development applications in accordance with legislative requirements and Council procedures.
- Decisions are made using sound professional judgement and within delegated authorities
- Represent Council at the Land and Environment Court as required.

Policy and procedures

- Provide input into policy and procedure reviews and undertake policy/procedure formulation as required.
- Continuously maintain an accurate and up to date working knowledge of planning legislation, environmental planning instruments, Council DCP's, policies and procedures.
- Liaise with and provide assistance to the development industry and community in relation to development applications and development related matters.
- Provide practical and innovative solutions to development issues.

Branch activities

- Provide assistance to the team leader in the supervision, mentoring and training of junior staff and student planners.
- Assist the team leader in the day to day operations of the team and on all planning matters as required.
- Work cooperatively with the team to achieve performance requirements and improve Council procedures.
- Participate in development working groups, project groups and meetings with internal and external customers.
- Other relevant duties which may be required by the Team Leader or Manager from time to time

Customer service

Demonstrate a strong customer focus which is accurate, responsive, timely and courteous

Corporate core values

 Continuously display Councils corporate core values of leadership, innovation, partnership, commitment and customer focus.



Essential and Desirable Criteria

Essential

- Tertiary qualification in urban and regional planning or related discipline and/ or significant related experience.
- Broad and specific understanding of EPA Act, 1979 and BCA
- Strong analytical skills with a demonstrated ability to review processes and procedures to improve service delivery.
- Demonstrated proficiency in Microsoft Office computer applications.
- Experience in urban release area planning.
- Ability to represent Council in legal cases.
- Ability to work both independently and as part of a team.
- Highly developed time management skills and the ability to manage high workloads.
- High level negotiation and dispute resolution skills with the capacity to make decisions.
- Effective oral and written communication skills with the ability to liaise with all levels of internal and external customers.
- Demonstrated ability to apply EEO, WHS and ethical practice principles and to act with probity at all times.

Desirable

- Ability to write reports on various proposals.
- Working knowledge of AMCORD standards.
- Experience in a supervisory role.
- Experience in group presentations.

WHS Responsibility

Act in accordance with WHS legislation and Council workplace health and safety policies at all times

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