

Infrastructure Planning in Westmorland and Furness

Our vision is for Westmorland and Furness is to be a great place to live, work and thrive, as set out in our [Council Plan](#). We need to improve transport infrastructure to achieve this vision, and we set out our aims for this in our Local Transport Plan, the [Cumbria Transport Infrastructure Plan](#).

In Infrastructure Planning, as part of Sustainable Transport and Highways, we work on a wide range of transport projects to help improve connectivity and resilience. The projects we work on include:

- Identifying and prioritising potential transport interventions to achieve stated objectives
- Developing transport interventions through feasibility studies
- Producing funding bids or business cases to secure funding to further develop or deliver infrastructure schemes
- Identifying the transport impacts and infrastructure requirements of new development to inform Local Plans and Infrastructure Delivery Plans
- Collating, maintaining and analysing transport data to support the identification and need for transport interventions, including the use of transport models
- Providing technical advice on major cross-discipline projects, including the council's groundbreaking work as part of Team Barrow
- Supporting colleagues on securing funding for new infrastructure through the planning process
- Developing new transport strategy and policy to help the council achieve its vision

We work closely with other internal council teams in sustainable transport and highways, planning, economic development and capital programmes, and external bodies which include the National Park authorities, Transport for the North, the Department for Transport, National Highways and Network Rail. We also work with engineering consultancies to deliver our projects.

Programme Lead – Infrastructure Planning

In this role you will join a friendly and supportive team to lead proposals in a key area of work for the council. We are seeking motivated professionals who have the skills and knowledge to lead a programme of work, manage staff and projects, and work as part of a team.

Ideally you will have experience and knowledge of Sustainable Transport and Highways and Infrastructure Planning. This could include: transport planning, including areas such as transport policy, scheme development, business cases, transport modelling, economic appraisal, or scheme delivery; town planning, including areas such as infrastructure delivery plans or local plan development; or project management. Previous experience of leadership or management would also be an advantage.

Some of the experience you may have could include:

- The development of transport schemes
- The production of feasibility studies
- The preparation of business cases or funding bids
- The development plan process and the preparation of Infrastructure Delivery Plans
- Policy and strategy development
- The preparation of responses to local and national consultations
- Project management
- Working with stakeholders and collaborative working

Candidates with a background in related disciplines who can demonstrate good project management skills, relevant and transferrable technical skills, and a strong interest and knowledge of the issues and opportunities for transport in Westmorland and Furness will be considered. We are looking for people who can work well with partners and stakeholders and have the confidence, ideas and ability to make things happen.