

Position Description

Senior Urban Planner

Position profile

Business Unit	Strategic Planning	Position number	P10137 & P11034
Department	City Futures	Status	Full Time Permanent
Salary group	Grade 15	Date endorsed	8 August 2017
Reports to	Coordinator Statutory Planning		

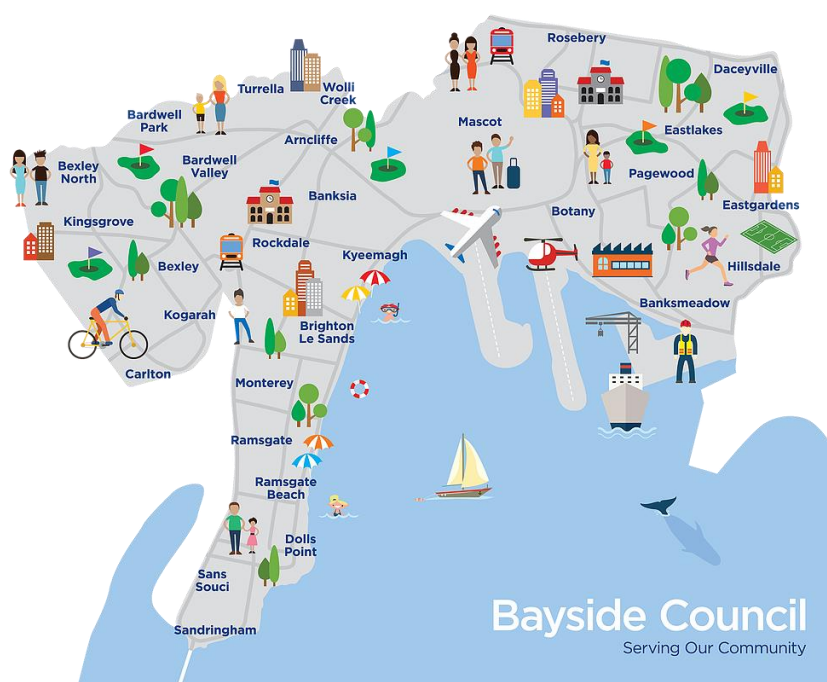
Overview

Bayside Council is an exciting place to work, live and play. The Bayside Council area covers approximately 50 square kilometres and over 160,000 people call Bayside home.

Bayside Council is the gateway to Sydney's south. With significant state infrastructure within our boundaries and key transport corridors between Port Botany, Sydney Airport and greater Sydney, change is everywhere and so are the opportunities.

By working together, we are making a difference across our Council, creating a great future.

This is an exciting opportunity for an innovative, customer centric and outcomes focused individual to be part of a modern, dynamic organisation that serves the Bayside community well.



Values

The following values were developed by Bayside Council employees and underpin our shared commitment in delivering our vision for the future.

The values guide us and define how we strengthen our working environment to deliver on the aspirations of our community.

- **Visionary Leadership** - We are all leaders - decisive, outward focused and forward thinking, setting the vision for Bayside Council today and into the future
- **Empowered People** - We are courageous and innovative - committed to making a difference in our work
- **Meaningful Relationships** - We support and invest in each other - creating a strong collaborative culture
- **Exceptional Service** - We go above and beyond - delivering an outstanding customer experience every time

Primary purpose of the role

Develop and review statutory and land use plans to ensure growth is appropriately scaled and located, and delivers community benefits for the Bayside LGA.

The role is responsible to manage the delivery of a range of activities to identify and plan for existing and future demands for Council and community assets, and to prepare strategies and plans to reflect these needs.

Key accountabilities

Within the area of responsibility, this role is required to:

- Contribute to the development and maintenance of Council's framework of land use controls to deliver integrated and sustainable outcomes for the community.
- Develop, implement and review land use plans and strategies, planning proposals and statutory instruments to inform decision making in line with contemporary standards and legislative requirements.
- Undertake a range of activities for complex initiatives to achieve required outcomes and requirements within agreed project and initiative scope.
- Analyse and prepare submissions on behalf of Council, and advocate for sustainable land use solutions for the Bayside LGA.
- Undertake complex research and analysis to provide timely and accurate expert advice, reports and briefs on land use planning to inform decisions.
- Build effective working relationships within Council, government agencies, and the community to achieve Council goals.
- Engage and manage consultants and contractors and review performance to ensure service delivery requirements are met.
- Promote the positive and collaborative culture and values of the organisation through open, fair and transparent decision making and ethical, professional behaviour.
- Work in collaboration with and assist the team, manager and other key stakeholders to achieve business unit goals, work requests, demands and Council priorities.

Key challenges

- Undertaking a place-based approach to land use planning that achieves integrated planning outcomes.
- Identifying and resolving issues in a timely manner to provide quality service delivery and a positive customer experience.
- Achieving deadlines and milestones for complex, concurrent and interconnected initiatives.
- Balancing community expectations, staffing and resources and government requirements in a politically sensitive environment.
- Delivering value for all stakeholders in an ethical, social and environmentally responsible manner.
- Maintaining up to date knowledge of the latest developments, initiatives and legislative requirements within the industry.

Role Dimensions

Decision Making





- The role is accountable for the delivery of initiatives and projects, on time, within budget and to meet expectations in terms of quality, deliverables and outcomes.
- Accountable for implementing the decisions made by the governing body, General Manager and Directors of Council.
- Guided by Council strategic plans, statutory guidelines and relevant legislation.
- Determine day-to-day priorities in line with the agreed team work plan.
- Represent Council on committees and working groups.
- Guide and support team members in the delivery of team projects and initiatives.

Essential Requirements

- Tertiary qualifications and experience in a relevant field.

Competency summary

Below is the full list of competencies adapted from the NSW Public Sector Capability Framework and the level required for this role. The competencies in bold are the focus competencies for this role. Refer to the next section for further information about the focus competencies.

NSW Public Sector Capability Framework		
Capability Group	Capability Name	Level
 Personal Attributes	Display Resilience and Courage	Adept
	Act with Integrity	Intermediate
	Manage Self	Adept
	Value Diversity	Intermediate
 Relationships	Communicate Effectively	Adept
	Commit to Customer Service	Adept
	Work Collaboratively	Adept
	Influence and Negotiate	Adept
 Results	Deliver Results	Intermediate
	Plan and Prioritise	Intermediate
	Think and Solve Problems	Adept
	Demonstrate Accountability	Intermediate
 Business Enablers	Finance	Intermediate
	Technology	Intermediate
	Procurement and Contract Management	Intermediate
	Project Management	Intermediate

Focus Competencies

The focus competencies for the role are the competencies in which occupants must demonstrate immediate competence. The behavioural indicators provide examples of the types of behaviours that would be expected at that level and should be reviewed in conjunction with the role's key accountabilities.

NSW Public Sector Capability Framework		
Group and Capability	Level	Behavioural Indicators
Personal Attributes Act with Integrity	Intermediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represent the organisation in an honest, ethical and professional way • Support a culture of integrity and professionalism • Understand and follow legislation, rules, policies, guidelines and codes of conduct • Help others to understand their obligations to comply with legislation, rules, policies, guidelines and codes of conduct • Recognise and report misconduct, illegal or inappropriate behaviour • Report and manage apparent conflicts of interest
Relationships Work Collaboratively	Adept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage a culture of recognising the value of collaboration • Build co-operation and overcome barriers to information sharing and communication across teams/units • Share lessons learned across teams/units • Identify opportunities to work collaboratively with other teams/units to solve issues and develop better processes and approaches to work
Relationships Influence and Negotiate	Adept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negotiate from an informed and credible position • Lead and facilitate productive discussions with staff and stakeholders • Encourage others to talk, share and debate ideas to achieve a consensus • Recognise and explain the need for compromise • Influence others with a fair and considered approach and sound arguments • Show sensitivity and understanding in resolving conflicts and differences • Manage challenging relations with internal and external stakeholders • Pre-empt and minimise conflict
Results Deliver Results	Intermediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete work tasks to agreed budgets, timeframes and standards • Take the initiative to progress and deliver own and team/unit work • Contribute to allocation of responsibilities and resources to ensure achievement of team/unit goals • Seek and apply specialist advice when required

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Group and Capability	Level	Behavioural Indicators
Results Think and Solve Problems	Adept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research and analyse information, identify interrelationships and make recommendations based on relevant evidence • Anticipate, identify and address issues and potential problems and select the most effective solutions from a range of options • Participate in and contribute to team/unit initiatives to resolve common issues or barriers to effectiveness • Identify and share business process improvements to enhance effectiveness
Business Enablers Project Management	Intermediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform basic research and analysis which others will use to inform project directions • Understand project goals, steps to be undertaken and expected outcomes • Prepare accurate documentation to support cost or resource estimates • Participate and contribute to reviews of progress, outcomes and future improvements • Identify and escalate any possible variance from project plans

Corporate Obligations

Budget	Council adopted budget for financial year.
Delegations	Decisions associated with this position are to be made in accordance with the Delegations of Authority approved by the General Manager.
Risk Management	Contribute to Council's risk management framework.
Integrated Management Systems	Continually review policies, procedures & processes to increase organisational effectiveness and efficiency and create a culture of innovation and continuous improvement.
Workplace Health and Safety	<p>Workers have overall responsibility, accountability and authority to ensure their workplace is a healthy and safe workplace for all workers and will have the following work health and safety (WHS) responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate in the implementation of WHS information within Council's Safety Management System (SMS) • Participate in consultation of WHS issues in their area of responsibility and WHS reporting, risk assessment and incident investigations • Develop the necessary knowledge and skills to effectively enable you to carry out your WHS responsibilities that are assessed through KPIs noted in your Individual Work Objectives • Wear personal protective equipment and follow safe work procedures, where relevant • Report all hazards, near misses, and incidents as soon as practical to Manager, Coordinator or Team Leader and no later than 24 hours following the event, and • Participate in incident investigations and risk assessments within 24 hours of notification. <p>INDOOR EMPLOYEE:</p> <p>To be aware of appropriate procedures in relation to safe manual handling techniques when undertaking work tasks, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifting/moving files, storage boxes etc, • Moving equipment for set up and storage, • Moving tables and chairs for meetings or training, • Sitting and working posture when in meetings and at the workstation.
Code of Conduct	All staff are required to adhere to the Code of Conduct and associated policies, including, but not limited to Gifts and Benefits policy; Secondary Employment policy; Public Interest Disclosure policy; and Bullying & Harassment Prevention policy.
Customer Service	Provide quality customer service to external and internal customers in accordance with Council's values, policies and procedures.
Records Management	Comply with Council's Records Management policies, procedures and guidelines.

Disclosures of Interest	Disclose pecuniary interests (if a designated person in accordance with s 441 of the Local Government Act 1993).
Equal Employment Opportunity	Comply with EEO based legislation and Council's policies, procedures and guidelines.

HUMAN RESOURCES USE	
Does this position fall under the definition of child related employment?	No
Does this position require incumbent to undergo criminal reference check?	No
Does this position require incumbent to demonstrate good driving record or possess a specific licence?	No
Specify licence:	
Will incumbent need to make disclosure of pecuniary interest?	No
Could there be a conflict of interest with secondary employment?	Yes