



Job Profile and Working for Stockport

Our Council

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Our employees are our **greatest asset**. We're proud of the way we provide vital frontline services every day and work together, as **one team**.

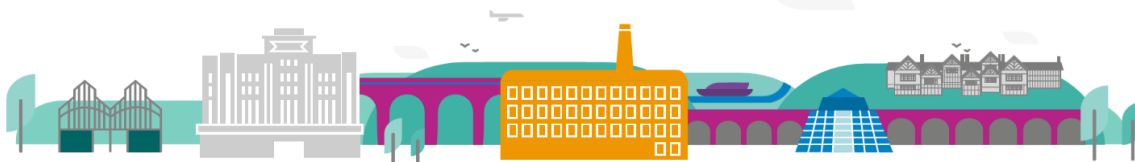
Our 4 **core values** as shown above, run through everything that we do, and we aim to stay **true** to them regardless of the challenges that we may face.

To **support** our values, we have policies, guidance and procedures around health, safety and welfare, customer care, emergency planning and security that all our **colleagues** are adhering and working to.

We also **pride** ourselves on our commitment to wellbeing and inclusivity of our colleagues and residents.

You can find out more about working for Stockport Council and some of the benefits that we offer our employees at <https://greater.jobs/locations/stockport/>





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About the Job

Role:	Property Lawyer
Service Area:	Legal Services
Directorate:	Corporate and Support Services
Salary Grade:	MB4

Main Purpose of the Job

The successful applicant will take on a key role within the Property team. You will engage in a broad spectrum of transactional work across a variety of sectors, including acquisitions and disposals alongside all aspects of asset management and development work. Experience of working at a local authority is desirable, but not essential.

You will:

- provide legal advice to directly inform senior decision making across the organisation;
- support and supervise other members of the Property team; and
- be keen to build and strengthen relationships with internal client departments.

Key Responsibilities

- To be responsible for a personal caseload of legal matters with a focus on practising commercial property law. In addition, the post holder will be required to have a thorough knowledge of general property law, including conveyancing practice and procedure.
- To act as a legal advisor in the delivery of all aspects of commercial and general property work.
- To draft and negotiate complex property documentation on behalf of the Council.
- To advise on all aspects of property law and land transactions including compliance with the Council's Constitution and governance procedures.
- To prepare briefings to Officers and Members and to input into decision making reports.
- To supervise the carrying out of the day-to-day property legal work of the Council.



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- To remain up to date with the latest legal and practical developments affecting local authority property.
- To work positively and inclusively with colleagues and customers so that the Council provides a workplace to deliver a service that does not discriminate against people on the grounds of their age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage, civil partnership, pregnancy, maternity, race, religion, belief, sex, or sexual orientation.
- To fulfil personal requirements, where appropriate, with regards to Council policies and procedures, standards of attendance, health, safety and welfare, customer care, emergency, evacuation, security and promotion of the Council's priorities.

Additional Information

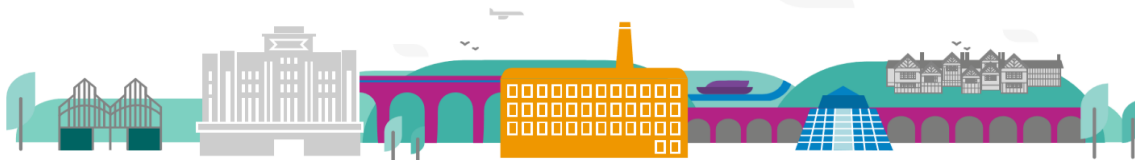
The responsibilities set out in this document, in the advert and any additional information are intended to provide a flavour of the work you will carry out. It is not possible to include everything you will be asked to undertake, and we expect all colleagues to work flexibly according to business needs and to enhance your own development. Your skills, abilities and training needs will be taken into account and discussed with you when any significant changes to your role are needed. In line with our flexible approach you may be required to work from home for a proportion of your time or from any of the Council's sites across the borough.

The Council is an inclusive employer and holds the Disability Confident and Armed Forces Covenant accreditations. If you have a disability, we will support you by implementing reasonable adjustments to enable you to perform your role.

About You

Please use your application to tell us how well you meet the criteria listed below as these are the key skills, experience, technical expertise and qualifications needed to be successful in the role. We will then use all the information you provide in your application to help us decide whether you are shortlisted for interview. Any interview questions or additional assessments such as tests or presentations may also be broadly based on these criteria:

- Working to the Council's values and behaviours by:
 - Keeping the people of **Stockport** at the heart of what we do
 - Succeeding as a **team**, collaborating with colleagues and partners
 - Driving things forward with **ambition**, creativity and confidence
 - Showing value and **respect** to our colleagues, partners and customers.
- Able to provide a copy of a current Practising Certificate or equivalent qualification entitling you to practise law in England & Wales (Barristers and Institute of Legal Executives are considered suitably qualified) demonstrating at least 3 years' post admission experience.
- Hands-on experience of property work.



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- Experience of local authority constitutional law.
- Experience of drafting complex and significant legal documentation and engaging in detailed negotiations with parties as appropriate.
- Effective oral and written communication skills with a confident presentational style.
- A proven track record in a pressurised and deadline driven environment.
- The ability to be positive, accountable and courageous in delivering the service priorities and clients' objectives.