

Transport Planning Technician Apprenticeship

- Are you interested in how people travel around?
- Do you want to help improve the transport system?
- Are you passionate about shaping the future of the Tees Valley?

If so this opportunity to become a Transport Planning Technician Apprentice offers no better place to start!

Who is Tees Valley Combined Authority?

The Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA) was created in April 2016. Our purpose is to drive economic growth and job creation in the area. We are a partnership of five authorities; Darlington, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees. Under the devolution deal with Government, we are taking on responsibilities previously held by Westminster and Whitehall; for transport, infrastructure, skills, business investment, housing and culture and tourism. On the 4th May 2017, the people of the Tees Valley elected their first Tees Valley Mayor, Ben Houchen, who chairs the Combined Authority.

Duration

The duration of the apprenticeship is 36 months with an anticipated start date of September 2020.

Location

The employment base will be the TVCA office in Thornaby, Stockton-on-Tees. The training will be delivered through block release at the Leeds College of Building.

Salary

The salary is based on the real living wage, which is over and above the national living wage. The hourly rate is £9.30, which equates to an annual salary of £17,941.

Why should I apply?

If you would like to play a part in delivering a world-class transport system that is fit for the future then this is the role for you. We have ambitious plans for transport that you will help to deliver including:

- Major upgrades of Darlington and Middlesbrough Stations
- A new A19 Tees Crossing
- Implementing a network of walking and cycling routes
- Roll-out of electric vehicle infrastructure
- Improvements to the bus network

Job overview

You will provide technical support to the TVCA Transport and Infrastructure Team to support the implementation of the Tees Valley Strategic Transport Plan and delivery of the Integrated Transport Programme.

What will I be doing?

You will undertake a varied range of tasks to equip you with the range of skills and experience you need for a successful career. These tasks will include:

- Planning & delivering projects
- Conducting research & data analysis
- Communicating with partners

- Preparing reports
- Public consultation and engagement

What is the qualification?

This is a BTEC Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship available to anyone aged 16 and over. The apprenticeship will be a mix of block release delivery based at Leeds College of Building and the development of knowledge and skills in the workplace. It is designed to offer a challenging and ambitious programme of academic study and work-based skills development, covering all stages of a transport project from planning and design to implementation.

Where can this apprenticeship take me?

On completion of the apprenticeship you will have satisfied the requirements for registration as an Engineering Technician by the Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation. The apprenticeship is also mapped to the Transport Planning Society's Professional Development requirements offering you the opportunity to access a work-based route to a career as a professional transport planner.

What are we looking for?

The Tees Valley Strategic Transport Plan sets out how we will deliver a world-class transport system that is fit for the future. This role will contribute to that vision and we are looking for someone who is:

- Inquisitive and enthusiastic
- Passionate about our vision
- Driven to succeed

As a member of the team, we'll give you responsibility and the opportunity to make a difference. If you are excited by inspiring and influencing the future of Tees Valley then this is the career path for you.

What training and support will you get?

You will be working towards a BTEC Level 3 Transport Planning Technician qualification.

Typically, you will be required to attend training at college for 13 weeks of block placements spread over three years. Course fees, travel, accommodation and subsistence expenses will be covered by TVCA. You will have the opportunity to get involved in lots of activities whilst you are on block release, including sport and enrichment activities. In the second year there is a week-long field trip, where you will have the opportunity to look at transport planning systems in Germany and Holland.

Whilst on the scheme, we'll support your technical development through a wide range of on-the-job practical experiences

Entry requirements

You must be at least 16 years of age by 1st September 2020 to be eligible for this scheme.

You must have a minimum of 5 GCSEs at grades 9-4 including English and maths (if your exams have recently been cancelled please provide expected grades).

Contacting Us

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