

Principal / Senior Consultant

- Salary:** A very competitive salary will be on offer dependent upon your experience
- Job Term:** Permanent
- Location:** Midlands/North West focus, but applicants from across the UK will be welcomed.

Hyas is a busy and expanding planning consultancy seeking an enthusiastic Principal or Senior Consultant Town Planner to join the team. We are currently advising on several new settlements, Garden Towns & Villages and are involved in a broader range of strategic planning commissions, including supporting on policy development and development management. Our work is both challenging and rewarding – helping clients to deliver great places for the future, working with multiple stakeholders, delivering results through a collaborative approach.

As a consultancy with a focus on client support and the creation of high quality places, we are looking for someone with energy, ideas and a passion for good place making. You will help us to develop the business, both with existing clients and through generating ideas for further expansion.

The role

We are looking for talented and creative planners with at least 4-5 years post qualification experience who could join us at Principal or Senior Consultant level. We would consider applicants from all parts of the UK, capable of helping meet demand for our services nationwide. As part of growing our business we anticipate operating from 'hubs' in Birmingham, Milton Keynes and Manchester. Having suitable access to a 'hub' location would be advantageous.

We operate a flexible working approach including remote working and direct support at client locations. You will therefore need to be highly motivated and a self-starter, able to work directly with and for a range of clients. In return we can offer the opportunity to work on some of the most interesting and innovative projects nationwide, as well as helping to develop the business further.

We pride ourselves in having a strong, positive and supportive working ethos and adopt a collaborative and flexible working approach, both internally working as a team, and externally with clients, to get the best from any project, in terms of quality of process and scheme outcome.

In this role you will be expected to work across a wide variety of areas including:

- Involvement in development plan, policy, development management, engagement, and joint working with other disciplines, mainly relating to new settlements and large scale developments across England.
- Working with and for clients (primarily local authorities) including where appropriate taking a lead client facing role, advising on a range of matters relating to the delivery of large-scale developments, plans and/or policy issues.
- Providing project support to colleagues by preparing high quality reports, plans/drawings, presentations, undertaking research, preparing for workshops, project meetings, etc.
- Gathering, interpreting, and assimilating data for analytical assessment of information, e.g., Local Plan reviews, Infrastructure Delivery Plans, site analysis and design critique.

- Playing an active part in developing and growing the business, in conjunction with colleagues to consider new project leads and expand our network of partner organisations. Assisting in preparing bid responses, drawing up, presenting, and negotiating proposals with clients.
- Keeping up to date on all areas relating to large scale schemes and masterplanning, as well as the latest policies and procedures.

We are looking for someone who can

- Work as part of a team and make a full contribution to our project portfolio and business development.
- Deal with a variety of clients in a professional and business-like manner.
- Demonstrate drive and enthusiasm for planning and the property world in general.
- Work under pressure and to tight deadlines.
- Deliver focused and creative solutions to problems.
- Work diligently and confidently through a flexible approach including remote working.

Senior Consultant Town Planner requirements

- Hold a Town Planning degree / masters (or similar).
- Be a Chartered Town Planner (or working towards), or at least 4-5 years of post-graduate experience in your field.
- Have previous experience of working with large scale residential projects.
- Be able to take responsibility for delivering outputs and liaising with clients.
- Manage elements of projects and/or leading on smaller workstreams.
- Be IT literate in Microsoft Office.
- Hold a full driving licence and access to a vehicle.

Rewards and benefits

- Competitive salary and annual bonus.
- Flexible working arrangements.
- 25 days annual leave & your birthday.
- Company pension.
- Professional subscription fees.
- Continuous professional development opportunities.
- Genuine career progression opportunities and regular performance review.

If you are interested please send your CV, a short cover note on why you would like to work at Hyas Associates and a sample of your recent work to gail.valentine@hyas.co.uk or contact any of the Directors via the details here: <https://www.hyas.co.uk/contact/>