Leeds City Council – City Development

Chief Officer Operations - Dir 65%

Salary £73,845 - £81,230 per annum

About us

Leeds City Centre is an economic powerhouse for the North, connecting people to jobs by improving links between the city centre and surrounding communities. In recent years, high profile developments have been completed such as First Direct Arena, Trinity Shopping Centre and the opening of the largest John Lewis store outside of London. Our offer for city centre and markets needs to keep pace with the development of HS2 and Channel 4.

The Job

We are looking to appoint an outstanding senior leader to join our Directorate Leadership Team during an exciting time of change and ambitious plans to ensure Leeds is the best city in the country. You will lead our City Centre Management and the Markets functions as well as providing strategic and professional leadership to the Support Services functions (Human Resources, Finance, Performance Management and Digital Information Service).

Your Role

This role will see you play a central role in the Directorate, ensuring that ambitious plans and innovative thinking are encouraged, and are always rooted in sound long-term financial planning and governance. We'll challenge you to take a flexible and distinctively commercial approach to finances and income generation. You'll also work across the organisation and partners to support our work-force, digital support and performance and policy development.

The future will include both developing our strategies, but also supporting our day-to-day activities in the city centre. To succeed we're seeking an innovative approach, underpinned by a strong technical grasp of support services, plus being able to win confidence quickly, and the political acumen to advise and influence throughout our organisation and with partners. Resilient, engaging, bright, and with a strong streak of creativity, you'll understand (and be comfortable in) the democratic environment.

How to Apply

For further questions about this role and/or if you would like an informal conversation first, please contact Martin Farrington, Director of City Development on 0113 37 86014.

For leadership role profile, role specification, organisational structure chart and to submit an application please visit our website at: www.leeds.gov.uk