

Job Description

FCERM Senior Coastal Scientist

Role Profile	Specialist Band K
Service/Team	Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management (FCERM)
Reports to	FCERM Strategy, Policy & Environment Manager
Responsible for	0
Number of posts	1.0 FTE
Post number	TBC
Career Grade	N/A

My job improves the quality of life for the people of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole, East Devon and the wider South - West area working collaboratively with partner organisations, by providing clear and robust evidence and technical advice to support the delivery of flood and coastal erosion risk management services, helping to secure positive outcomes for communities at risk of flooding and coastal change now and in the future, whilst also seeking to enhance the wider-environmental outcomes of FCERM activities.

Job Overview

Working as part of multi-disciplinary teams, this role will provide support and leadership to the BCP Council and East Devon District Council Shared Service as well as broader South West partner organisations on strategic coastal risk management. Key activities will include supporting and leading on the planning and delivery of strategic FCERM initiatives, including shoreline management planning, to provide clear vision and strategic direction for managing the risks of flooding and coastal erosion now and in the future as the climate changes. This role requires a thorough understanding of the wider-FCERM sector in England, shoreline management plans and coastal change adaptation. Although not directly line managing, this role will be expected to manage project teams, particularly in relation to the development and implementation of strategic studies.

Key Responsibilities

- Work with the Strategy, Policy and Environment Manager to provide support and leadership on shoreline management planning, including:
 - Managing and maintaining key documents used by SMP management group to guide delivery of SMP actions.
 - Scoping, procuring and delivering activities required to deliver SMP actions defined in action plans.
 - Undertaking engagement with stakeholders and professional partners, including planning officers, to keep them informed about SMPs.
- Liaise with bodies with an interest in the flood and coastal erosion zones to provide advice and support, to ensure a strategic approach to the management of the 'at risk' areas.
- Support and lead on strategic studies, FCERM strategies and strategic outline cases to support sustainable management of coastal flood and erosion risks.
- Support and lead on FCERM research projects to improve understanding and develop innovative approaches to tackling FCERM challenges.
- Work with other members of the FCERM team and other stakeholders to develop appropriate approaches to coastal adaptation and resilience.
- Delivering high quality services, share and embed best practice principles of sustainable

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coastal risk management within the FCERM service with enthusiasm and commitment, supporting and coaching colleagues as necessary to ensure they are able to develop skills in this area.

- Where appropriate, manage the performance of consultants employed to carry out strategic studies.
- Present on behalf of the FCERM team at forums / conferences.
- To work in accordance with agreed policies and procedures of BCP Council.
- To comply with all decisions, policies and standing orders of both BCP Council, and any relevant statutory requirements, including Equal Opportunities legislation, Health and Safety at Work Act and Data Protection Act.

Specific Qualifications and Experience

- Degree level qualification in a relevant field or equivalent experience.
- An advanced relevant professional qualification (or equivalent experience).
- Good knowledge and experience of delivering strategic coastal studies, working as part of a multi-disciplinary delivery team.
- Good knowledge of, and experience in use of, shoreline management plans and associated guidance.
- Good knowledge and experience of FCERM policy, legislation and strategic guidance particularly in England, and the risk of non-compliance to relevant legal and statutory requirements.
- Good knowledge of current and emerging issues in the area of coastal risk management, including policies, practices and technologies/solutions related to this work area, from international and national perspectives.
- Evidence of experience in stakeholder engagement to support the development of strategic coastal studies.
- Demonstrable knowledge and experience of project management, and broader commercial awareness.
- Experienced in using a wide range of IT programmes relevant to the role including Outlook, Word and Excel.

Personal Qualities & Attributes

- Able to analyse data accurately to produce reports to inform project decisions / service delivery improvements.
- Able to work in partnership with others to develop improvements to the delivery of services.
- Able to effectively prioritise workload in an environment of change and manage competing demands effectively.
- Excellent interpersonal and oral and written communication skills and ability to present information in a focussed way.

Job Requirements

- Must be able to travel, using public or other forms of transport where they are viable, or by holding a valid UK driving licence with access to own or pool car.
- Must be willing to work occasional early mornings, evenings and weekends to facilitate surveys.

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