



DIDCOT TOWN COUNCIL
“Designated Garden Town”
is looking for an outstanding
Outdoor Services Manager

SCP 26 – 37 £30,451 to £40,876; 37 hours per week
Up to 29 days holiday per annum; Local Government Pension and
opportunities to train and develop skills

The Council is seeking to appoint an ambitious Senior Manager to oversee the Council's Parks and Open Spaces facilities. This is a busy and demanding role including management of a team of eight outdoor staff working to deliver services across Didcot. You will be responsible for managing the Council's parks; allotments; sports pitches; play areas; skate park; cemetery; Ladygrove Lakes and the Millennium Wood.

In this management role, you will be experienced in grounds maintenance with a desire to plan and deliver quality services with an awareness of health and safety and legislative regulations. You will be able to advise on environmentally friendly options. You will also be responsible for managing the budget of the Environment and Climate Committee; providing written reports on progress to the Committee meetings which you will attend. The role will involve some weekend working and some evening work as required.

You will be based at the Civic Hall Offices where you will work closely with the Town Clerk and Town Councillors. Didcot is the largest town in South Oxfordshire and a designated Garden Town. The population is growing and there will be a need to contribute to the future strategic planning to ensure continued delivery of the town's outdoor facilities as new sites and assets become available.

You must be able to demonstrate that you have the experience to manage projects from start to finish – and on a tight budget. Ideally, you should have a working knowledge of local government law and procedures, H&S Policy and management of risk in all operations. Evidence will be required to demonstrate your knowledge of outdoor operational skills with a focus on biodiversity enhancements and climate change mitigation.

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Didcot Town Council supports the climate emergency with a task of working with the District Council to bring down our CO2 emissions both in production and consumption to reach carbon neutrality by 2030 and carbon zero by 2050.

An application form and further details can be obtained from Didcot Town Council, Britwell Road, Didcot, Oxfordshire OX11 7JN, telephone 01235 812637 or email council@didcot.gov.uk, or via the website at www.didcot.gov.uk

Completed applications may be emailed in confidence to the Town Clerk jwheeler@didcot.gov.uk

The closing date for applications is Monday 22nd November 2021. Covid-friendly interviews will be held in early December.

Didcot Town Council is committed to Equality of Opportunity and actively welcomes applications from all sections of the community.