

Associate Director – Mobile, Digital Infrastructure Team

Competitive Salary and Local Government Pension Scheme

Location: Remote and Office Based with flexibility

Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) is seeking to employ a digital expert on a one-year, fixed term to support the examination of future mobile connectivity activity in Scotland and how best to support it.

With the Scotland 4G Infill programme coming to an end in March 2023 and the Shared Rural Network programme starting to deploy, the questions are where will this put Scotland in 2027 and what is there still to be done in mobile connectivity to further the future of Scotland as a well-connected country that supports economic growth and inclusivity?

This strategic work will be in parallel to management of the delivery of the Infralink programme and in particular the Infralink Exchange project which will provide insight to the direction of travel of advanced wireless infrastructure in Scotland and some of the challenges to this.

SFT, with funding from the Scottish Government via the Scotland 5G Centre, have delivered the Infralink project to produce commercial tools to assist with the negotiation of mobile infrastructure (4G and 5G macros and 5G small cells) being sited on local authority assets.

SFT is now putting these theoretical tools into practice by working with the Tay Cities Region and Glasgow City Region and leading the delivery of the Infralink Exchange Project, one of eight pilot projects in the UK Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) Digital Connectivity Infrastructure Accelerator (DCIA) programme.

The role

The successful candidate will have project management skills and experience working in the mobile digital infrastructure sector and use cases for advanced wireless technologies. We also expect the individual to have experience of working alongside a variety of stakeholders and working closely as part of a team to deliver successful programmes and projects.

Principal responsibilities will include:

- For the Infralink Exchange project delivery phase to March 2023:
 - Day-to-day project management and compliance with the DCIA requirements under the Grant Funding Agreement with DCMS including being the main point of contact;
 - Coordination of the partners and management of the service providers;
 - Leading secretariat function for the governance forums for Infralink Exchange, and coordination of communications and marketing with project activity;
 - Working with providers to coordinate third party inputs into benefits valuation work
- Supporting the delivery of the Infralink Glasgow City Region workstream
- Working with the SFT Digital Infrastructure Programme Director to support strategic planning for the Infralink Programme post March 2023

- Support the SFT Digital Infrastructure Programme Director and Scottish Government colleagues to baseline, evaluate and review mobile connectivity activity in Scotland and other relevant countries over the next 10 years to help shape future strategic considerations.
- Collaborating across SFT/knowledge sharing in areas of expertise to support the growth of other sectors such as Electric Vehicle Charging
- Maintaining exceptional skills and expertise within the business environment in which you operate, keeping technical skills and professional qualifications relevant and up to date.
- SFT corporate reporting on objectives and contribution to outcomes for areas of responsibility.

Attributes

The successful candidate will be:

- Degree or equivalent
- Professionally qualified with at least five years PQE, or equivalent commercial experience
- Project Management Skills
- Good understanding of the policy, regulatory and economic drivers of mobile digital infrastructure
- Experience of working successfully across organisations, in public and private sectors, with senior personnel and decision makers.
- Self-motivated with a strong ability to prioritise tasks and actions.
- Ability to filter information and assess priorities
- Strong report writing skills
- Impactful individual with excellent interpersonal and communication skills

Details

SFT's office is located in Edinburgh but working remotely within the UK is permitted for much of the working week. Some travel will be required to meetings, workshops, site visits, etc, as well as attending training courses and conferences when required.

We are committed to diversity, inclusion and creating a working environment which provides equality of opportunity for all, and we will ensure a gender balanced recruitment and interview panel to oversee this appointment.

Eden Scott is retained and works exclusively with us. Please submit your CV to Peter.Dunn@edenscott.com or for a confidential discussion to hear more about the opportunity, then please contact Peter Dunn, Associate Director on 07795 553 835.

The closing date for completed applications is Friday 29 July 2022.