

**Associate Director – Low Carbon**

**Competitive Salary, Car Allowance and Local Government Pension Scheme**

**Location: Edinburgh with flexibility**

Scottish Government has set out its commitment to decarbonise Scotland in light of the climate emergency we face.

In supporting Scottish Government reach its 2045 net zero target, the Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) is **seeking an experienced energy professional** to strengthen its existing Low Carbon Infrastructure team.

For more than a decade SFT has been at the forefront of improving public sector infrastructure across Scotland.

Established by Scottish Government as a centre of infrastructure expertise, we provide additional skills, resource and knowledge to public sector organisations, supporting them to build resilient and sustainable places, drive inclusive economic growth and transition to a net zero society.

Having Scotland's economy front of mind, our aim is:

*“to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of infrastructure investment and use in Scotland by working collaboratively with public bodies and industry, leading to better value for money and ultimately improved public services.”*

SFT's Low Carbon Infrastructure team works with Scottish Government, local government, other public agencies and the private sector to both inform policy and enable its delivery through setting up and delivering scalable programmes such as the Non-Domestic Energy Efficiency programme.

The Team also work with other workstreams across the business to ensure decarbonisation is an integral part of SFT's activities, including on the Green Growth Accelerator programme, Learning Estate Investment Programme, and the hub programme.

The successful candidate will require a background in the delivery and management of low carbon energy infrastructure, coupled with demonstrable experience of working closely as part of a team to deliver successful programmes and projects. Reporting to the Programme Director – Low Carbon, your principal responsibilities will include, but are not limited to:

- Working collaboratively with other SFT workstreams on programmes to support the implementation of climate mitigation, the decarbonisation of the public sector estate and implementing approaches to drive carbon savings
- Working collaboratively with external public and private organisations to support the delivery of approaches and projects that fit with Scotland's Net Zero ambitions, including;
  - in relation to energy use and carbon impact across a variety of contractual/procurement routes and infrastructure types.
  - throughout a project lifecycle, from scoping, feasibility, business case development to design, construction, commissioning, and operations.
- Identifying and implementing new models, standards, targets and new thinking to support the transition to Net Zero

- Developing models for capturing and monitoring operational energy use and carbon impact and work with colleagues to integrate these models with payment mechanisms and financial models
- Sharing knowledge with SFT colleagues, those involved in public sector procurement and private sector contractors in the principles of energy management and delivering Net Zero buildings and wider infrastructure

Suitable candidates will be degree educated with a recognised professional Chartered Engineer qualification (or equivalent) in a discipline with a focus upon energy and carbon performance of buildings. You will have a background in low carbon energy management and a broad understanding of the policy, regulatory and economic drivers of development across infrastructure.

Critically, you will have a proven track record of developing and implementing strategic energy initiatives and projects, working closely as part of a team with other disciplines (e.g. financial, legal), delivering carbon savings and commercial efficiencies across existing estates and new build development.

You will be based at SFT's office in Edinburgh. SFT teams, work flexibly, with an expectation that you need to be in the office for meetings as required, but not full time. There will be some additional travel required to attend external meetings, training and conferences.

SFT is committed to diversity, inclusion and creating a working environment which provides equality of opportunity for all. As part of its ongoing commitment, we will ensure a gender balanced recruitment and interview panel to oversee this appointment.

Eden Scott is retained and working exclusively with SFT. Please submit your CV online to [ian.atkinson@edenscott.com](mailto:ian.atkinson@edenscott.com) or for a confidential discussion to hear more about the opportunity, then please contact Iain Atkinson, Associate Director on 07714 124 033.

The closing date for completed applications is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021.