

### **Client Support Officer Job Description**

### About Salix

Salix became a non-departmental public body in September 2020. This status enables government to directly fund the work of Salix, as it delivers projects on behalf of government funders. Salix is funded by Department of Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ), and the Scottish and Welsh Governments, and Salix provides professional and tailored support, to public sector organisations. This support enables and inspires local and national climate action in the transition towards a low-carbon future. These funding schemes are dedicated to enabling the public sector to reduce their carbon emissions to support Government's commitment to become net-zero by 2050.

The mixed financing portfolio of grants and loans to public sector organisations comes through the Public Sector Decarbonisation Schemes (PSDS), Public Sector Low Carbon Skills Fund (PSLCF), Public Sector Energy Efficiency Loans Scheme (SEELS), Scotland Public Sector Energy Efficiency Scheme, Wales Funding Programme and Salix Recycling Fund Scheme. The purpose of these schemes is to finance delivery of capital energy efficiency and heat decarbonisation projects within public sector non-domestic buildings, including central government departments and non-departmental public bodies in England.

Salix is now the Delivery Agent for the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund (SHDF) and the Homes Upgrade Grant, (HUG).

Salix plays a key role in increasing the awareness across the public sector throughout the UK in the importance of energy efficiency and heat decarbonisation.

#### Work life at Salix

For staff joining Salix we run a comprehensive induction programme to support staff to be successful at work. Every member of staff is part of a team and has a named line manager who helps you plan your work and manage your training and development. You will be encouraged to study for further industry qualifications, such as CMI.

Department /	Delivery team		
Location	London, Canary Wharf		
Reports to	Programme Coordinator		
Package	<ul> <li>£25,500 during probationary period which lasts 3 months</li> <li>£26,000 after successful probationary period</li> </ul>		
	28 days annual leave Cycle to work scheme Contributory pension scheme Employee support with public transport costs Supported training budget for staff Access to Employee Assistance Program		

Overview	As a Client Support Officer you will be responsible for supporting and monitoring the delivery of UK public sector decarbonisation projects, which are funded through grants and loans programmes by DESNZ, Scottish and Welsh Governments.		
	You will be part of one of Salix's programme delivery teams, line managed by a Programme Coordinator and managed by a Programme Manager. Your responsibilities will ensure that projects comply with Salix's funding requirements as well as building strong client relationships, and being their first port of call for any queries. You will support the delivery of around 20 projects with a combined value of £50m.		
	You will also be an active member of the Delivery Team and attend team wide meetings as well as have the opportunity to be involved in projects that support the development of our processes and systems and making the company an even better place to work.		
Key Responsibilities			

## **Appointment Process**

Salix is an equal opportunities employer and has a policy of equal pay. Salix operates a probationary period for all new staff. This ensures people joining Salix can find out that the job meets their expectations and that Salix can support each member of staff in their role. This is on a fixed term, 3 months

probationary contract. Successful completion of the probationary period will lead to an offer of employment contract.

The Person Specification for this position can be found in Appendix 1. All criteria outlined in the specification are considered essential and will be assessed through a combination of the application statement, CV and interview.

Candidates must demonstrate that they meet the qualifications, experience, skills and abilities listed in the Person Specification. In order that candidates focus on the experience, skills and abilities in the Person Specification, eight specific areas have been highlighted. Candidates should focus on these eight points in their written statement which should be no more than 1,200 words. Other aspects of the Person Specification will be evidenced from your CV and the final interview where candidates will be asked to prepare a presentation. See Appendix 1 for the Person Specification.

#### How to apply

If you wish to apply for this role, please submit all of the following to HR:

- 1. An up-to-date CV.
- A statement of no more than 1,200 words as to how you match the requirements of the Person Specification, ensuring you address the **eight key criteria** highlighted in the key criteria column of the Person Specification.
- 3. Equality monitoring form (available to download here).

Please specify in the application email subject the job title you are applying for and within the email where you saw the job posted to <u>HR@salixfinance.co.uk</u>

#### Appointment timetable

- Applications will close once the posts are filled.
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited to interview by mutual agreement.
- Presentation details will be released prior to interview.
- Start in post by mutual agreement.

#### Key information about application

- Applicants must demonstrate through their CV and personal statement that they meet the qualifications, experience, skills and abilities listed in the <u>Personal Specification in Appendix 1</u>.
- Please be aware that Salix will only accept applications which contain all the requested supporting documentation detailed above, and candidates that do not submit all requested documentation will not be contacted to submit a full application.

All applicants must have the right to work in the UK and documentation is required to support this.

# Appendix 1: Person Specification

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION	ESSENTIAL CRITERIA
QUALIFICATIONS	Degree or equivalent professionally relevant qualification	
	Evidence of further professional development	
EXPERIENCE	Relevant work experience in a building or energy services capacity	
	Experience in providing advice and support	
	Project management skills	
	Presentation experience	
	Customer service or public engagement experience	
	Strong IT skills, including all Microsoft Office Programmes with a focus on Microsoft Excel	
SKILLS AND	Ability to work constructively within a small team	✓
ABILITIES	Ability to manage, prioritise and deliver a number of projects and work programmes within timescale	√
	Communicates effectively and confidently	
	Fosters collaborative and coordinated working across teams and in partnership with other organisations	
	Ability to positively represent Salix and good customer service skills	√
	Strong numeracy skills	
	Pays close attention to detail, ensuring work is delivered to a high standard	$\checkmark$
	Effective time management and ability to set realistic timescales for work delivery	
	Self-motivated and good organisational skills	$\checkmark$
	Strong interpersonal skills	✓
	Ability to effectively contribute at meetings and events participation	
	Knowledge of energy efficient and low carbon technologies	
	Willingness to travel across the UK	
	Ability to make decisions that demonstrate	
	commitment to Salix's corporate strategy	
OTHER	Ability to demonstrate and understand equal opportunities	√
	Willingness to learn and commitment to personal development and training	√

**Key:**  $\sqrt{2}$  = key criteria