

Passionate about planning?

Our National Park Authority offers you the opportunity to develop your career with the freedom to formulate and monitor policies that conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the National Park. You will gain an enviable breadth of planning experience in a small team which deals with local and neighbourhood plans. The Authority is passionate about meeting the needs of those who live, work and enjoy leisure time within the Park. We do not shrink away from difficult decisions and naturally the National Park has become somewhat of a hot spot for test cases, legal challenges and interesting appeal decisions on subjects ranging from oil and gas exploration to what constitutes 'major development.'

Passionate about our National Park?

The South Downs is the youngest of Britain's national parks. It contains over 1,600km2 of England's most iconic lowland landscapes stretching form Winchester in the west to Eastbourne in the east. The South Down's stunning landscape is only half the story though with over 100,000 people living within the National Park and 2 million people living within 5km of its boundaries. It is a living, breathing landscape with a vibrant economy, lively market towns, and exciting challenges ahead with a number of strategic sites including North Street Quarter in Lewes and Shoreham Cement Works.

Passionate for a change?

Do you want to work for an authority where you can make a tangible and credible difference, rising to the challenge of working with 12 districts and cities, 3 counties, 176 parishes, 3 local enterprise partnerships and a wide range of interested parties? Are you interested in finding new ways to plan with a landscape led local plan that takes an ecosystem services approach to development? Are you interested in working with local communities to help write 50 neighbourhood plans set within a protected landscape?

Interested?

For an informal chat about any of the roles please contact the Planning Policy Manager, Lucy Howard on 01730 819284.