

CPC485 - Senior Housing Innovation Specialist

Location	London or Milton Keynes
Reporting to	Housing Innovation Lead
Working hours	Full time
Contract type/duration	Permanent
Date written	October 2021
Closing date	5th December 2021

Purpose of the role

As our Senior Housing Innovation Specialist, you will help us to expand and enhance our Housing Innovation work, which currently comprises three strands: Healthy Ageing; Retrofit; and Innovative Finance. You will contribute towards influencing a systems-thinking approach to the way we plan, design and manage housing in the future, seeking better outcomes for people and places. You will provide the team and the wider Built Environment Directorate with in-depth knowledge about housing, markets and innovation. You will use your skills to help maximise the impact of projects, ensuring they are innovative and relevant to the sector, whilst being in line with the Catapult's mission of growing the market for housing and connected places.

Key Responsibilities

- Lead research and provide senior housing domain input into how new technologies can change how we plan, build, design and manage housing in the future.
- Take responsibility for existing projects across the matrix organisation as the content lead, including collaborative and research development, commercial and internal opportunities.
- Identify partners and shape new projects that will help grow the market for housing innovation.
- Keep abreast of the current built environment processes and tools being used in the UK and abroad and identify opportunities for further innovation.
- Build a network of partners and stakeholders that will help the Catapult scale and grow innovation across housing markets the UK and abroad.
- Create resources to communicate progress of Housing Innovation programme to internal and external stakeholders including Thought Leadership pieces, blogs and visual assets

- Be confident to communicate the Catapult's message and activities and represent the team, the department and the organisation in the wider industry
- Supporting the Housing Innovation Team to develop a long-term strategy to support the market and other key stakeholders.
- Shaping and inputting into bid models and new business propositions.
- You may be required to undertake other reasonable duties to support the Catapult in achieving its strategic outcomes and ensure effective business operations.

Skills and experience

Essential

- Qualifications in either urban planning, architecture, urban design, quantity surveying, regeneration, local government policy or similar
- Over 5 years professional experience in the built environment industry (commercial experience preferable)
- In-depth knowledge of at least one of the following: housing sector; public realm design; building information modelling, building safety, net zero and sustainability
- Systems thinker with experience conceiving and delivering projects and leading multi-disciplinary teams
- In-depth understanding of digital principles and human-centered design
- The ability to think critically, strategically and creatively to identify and deliver projects that will move the industry forward
- Excellent presentation skills, with the ability to communicate complex concepts concisely with project partners, industry leaders and external stakeholders
- Proven project management and leadership skills

Desirable

- Knowledge and active interest in housing delivery, community engagement, digital planning
- Knowledge and interest in emerging technologies and how they are changing cities
- Knowledge and experience agile project delivery and methodology

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