

**Job Opportunity:
Development Consultant
Devon New Economy Working Group**

Job Description

We are seeking a development consultant to carry out a short term piece of feasibility / research / development work for the Devon New Economy Working Group. He/she will be appointed by and accountable to a small management group made up of 4 members of the wider Working group, but will work closely with the wider Working Group as well.

The Development Consultant will be responsible for writing a “Research & Feasibility Study”, to inform the 2017 action plan for the Devon New Economy Working Group. The position-holder will research and propose strategies and actions to support further funding for the development of the organization, and its long term vision and mission, (more details later and information is contained in the attached paper)

Job title:

Development Consultant: Research & Feasibility Study

Work Location:

Home-based in Devon, accessible to Exeter for meetings

Travel:

Must be able and willing to travel, mostly within Devon.

Reports to, and collaborates with:

The management group and the wider working group who are willing to contribute time to support the work of the individual who is hired.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Identify 3 deliverable project / planning proposals in line with the aspirations of the working group
 - Research options for discussion & collaborate with Steering Committee and Working Group.
 - Scope these proposals in sufficient detail so that they can easily be turned into funding proposals.
- Explore possible key partnerships
 - Map out relevant Devon New Economic Development players.
 - Identify where Gaps and opportunities are.
- Recommend the appropriate type of organisation to establish.

Examples of the types of projects that might be explored could include but are not limited to :

- Scaling up community food production and allotments;
- Developing new models of community energy;
- Building further on Devon's pioneering community land trust projects;
- Exploring how to use the purchasing power of large Devon based public institutions and private businesses to create new social enterprises and small firms

The feasibility study would also look at different types of organisational models for the next stage of development.

Education and/or Work Experience Requirements:

- Some knowledge / experience of the Devon New Economy scene
- Understanding of UK fundraising
- Previous experience in Action Research and organizational processes in collaboration with Teams / Communities / Councils / Departments or similar.

Fee

A fee of £6000 will be paid. There will be no separate allowance for expenses so this will need to come out of the £6000.

Starting Date.

No fixed date. It is envisaged that the work will be carried out over the period May to September. However there is flexibility about the exact starting and finishing dates for the right candidate .

Interview Date.

Interviews will be held in Exeter on Wednesday morning May 3rd (if you can't make that date, it may be possible to offer an alternative date)

Please send applications before April 15th, 2017 to:

gerald@eclipse.co.uk

Please include the following documents:

- A Cover Letter stating why you are applying and what you can offer.
- CV / Resume
- Two referees whom we can contact.

More information

If you would like to discuss this informally, please contact any of the management group as follows:

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