

# JAMES BLAKE

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## Principal Arboricultural Role Vacancy

Hybrid job working from home / Suffolk Head Office / onsite

### Overview:

Join our esteemed team as a Principal Arboricultural Consultant and become a key player in shaping sustainable landscapes and preserving our urban forests. You will leverage your expertise in tree management providing valuable insights, recommendations, and solutions to clients across all sectors. Equally you will be driving the business forward and managing the team. This role offers a unique opportunity to blend technical proficiency with environmental stewardship in a dynamic and rewarding environment.

### Responsibilities:

- 1. Tree Surveys (BS5837) and Inspections:** Conduct thorough tree assessments and inventories to evaluate health, structural integrity, and overall condition of trees. Utilise industry-standard assessment tools and techniques to gather accurate data and formulate the reports using this data.
- 2. Risk Assessments:** Assess potential risks associated with trees, including disease, pests, structural defects, and environmental factors. Provide informed recommendations for risk mitigation and management strategies.
- 3. Tree Preservation Planning:** Collaborate with clients, developers, and landscape architects to develop tree preservation plans for construction projects. Identify ways to protect and integrate existing trees into site designs while ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements and collaborating with our inhouse multi-disciplinary teams as appropriate (predominantly, ecology, landscape architecture).
- 4. Tree Care Recommendations:** Provide expert guidance on tree care practices, including pruning, fertilisation, and pest management. Develop customised tree care plans tailored to the specific needs of clients and their landscapes.
- 5. Tree Policy Development:** Assist our clients and organisations including LPAs/councils in developing arboriculture policies, ordinances, and guidelines to promote sustainable tree management practices and initiatives and compliance to achieve greater planning success.
- 6. Client Consultation:** Serve as a trusted advisor to clients, offering professional insights and solutions to address their arboriculture needs and challenges. Build strong client relationships through effective communication and exemplary service delivery.
- 7. Training and Education:** Conduct training sessions, workshops, and educational seminars on arboriculture best practices for your team members as well as clients, stakeholders, and community groups. Promote awareness and appreciation for the value of trees in its respective environment.
- 8. Site Supervision:** Undertake supervision and monitoring of sites and monitoring of development works surrounding retained trees. Provide Toolbox talks prior to work commencing.

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Landscape Design

Landscape Planning

Urban Design

Ecology

Biodiversity Net Gain

Arboriculture

Land Adoption

Weed Eradication

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**9. Drive the Arboricultural business** forward by engaging with the senior management team in respect of the Arboricultural business strategy, marketing and new innovations for revenue growth. Grow existing clients, as well as proactively market to potential new clients. Complete all necessary administration to achieve your revenue targets including quoting for fees and pitching for Tenders.

## Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in Arboriculture, Forestry, Horticulture, or a related field.
- Minimum NQF Level 6 qualification or equivalent in arboriculture or forestry.
- Certified Arborist designation or equivalent credentials (e.g., ISA Certified Arborist).
- Extensive experience in arboricultural consulting, tree risk assessment, and planning.
- Familiarity with relevant planning regulations, standards, and industry guidelines.
- Strong knowledge of tree biology, pathology, pest and diseases, fungi and visual assessments.
- Proficiency in arboricultural assessment tools and software (AutoCAD and Axiscape Software).
- Experienced in BS5837 surveys and development-related work.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to convey technical information.
- Current full clean UK driving licence

## Personal Attributes:

- Passion for trees and a commitment to environmental conservation.
- Analytical mindset with keen attention to detail.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a team environment.
- Strong problem-solving skills and sound judgment in decision-making.
- Dedication to professional development staying current with industry trends and developments.

## Why Join Us:

- Opportunity to make a positive impact on urban landscapes and communities.
- Collaborative and supportive work culture that values innovation and creativity.
- Competitive salary and benefits package.
- Professional growth and advancement opportunities within a reputable organisation committed to excellence in arboriculture and ecology.
- We are a well-established, multi-award-winning UK Chartered Practice of Landscape Architecture and environmental consultancy with an impressive client portfolio nationwide.
- We specialise in the retention and incorporation of greener and more natural Green Infrastructure into residential development but also carry out consultancy services for all sectors including commercial, leisure, local government, and infrastructure/ utility projects.

**Branch out, get in touch and join us on our mission!**

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If you are a dedicated arboricultural professional with a passion for trees and the environment, we invite you to apply for this exciting Principal Arboricultural Consultant position and contribute to our mission of creating healthier and more sustainable environments and greener schemes through responsible tree care and management.