

Director/Head of Projects & Business Development

Social Life is a social enterprise, set up in 2012 by the Young Foundation.

All our work is about the relationship between people and the places they live in. Our mission is to reconnect placemaking with the everyday experience of people and neighbourhoods. We work in the UK and internationally with communities, built environment professionals, public agencies and governments, putting people and social need at the heart of the way cities, towns and new developments are planned, developed and managed.

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For more about our work, look at our website www.social-life.co

Over the past three years Social Life has grown rapidly and become an established centre of expertise on the relationship between people and places. We work for councils, housing developers and housing associations. We have created innovative new frameworks and data tools that enable us to understand how local communities function, assess the social impact of changes to the built environment, and measure the social sustainability of housing developments and regeneration projects.

Social Life is led by its Director, Nicola Bacon, and has a core team of three staff members and a network of specialist Associates. Social Life's co-founder has recently stepped aside from day-to-day management, although is retaining an ongoing role on particular projects.

We are now seeking an entrepreneurial new Director or Head of Projects to play a central role in supporting the next phase of Social Life's development, building on and scaling the products and tools that we have developed in the last few years.

This exciting role will include developing new business and managing our portfolio of projects. This role could work in different ways, according to the experience, skills and aspirations of the person who takes it on. We are looking for someone who has:

- a commitment to and understanding of the ethos underpinning Social Life's work and what motivates us
- a strong track record of generating new business for consultancy products, and working with agencies involved in the built environment (local government, housing developers, and housing associations in particular)
- good experience of working on social research projects in a related field
- excellent writing skills, and an interest in documenting and communicating our work
- very good interpersonal skills, and who is comfortable working collaboratively in our small friendly team, in our office in Elephant & Castle.

This is a new post and we can discuss a number of different ways it can be filled. The salary will depend on experience and skills, but will also be linked to profits and the amount of work that you can generate. We would be willing to discuss equity shares in the longer term.

We can offer considerable flexibility and could consider full or part-time working arrangements.

If you would like to find out more about this, contact Nicola Bacon, nicola.bacon@social-life.co