

Researcher/project coordinator

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

Our mission is to reconnect placemaking with the everyday experience of people and neighbourhoods. We work 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.

We are looking for an energetic, creative and efficient person with a strong commitment to the type of work we do to be our new Researcher.

This job is being offered on a twelve-month contract, we hope to be able to extend this after this first period.

The job will include:

- working on particular projects, which could include qualitative research, data analysis, facilitation, data mapping or carrying out practical projects in local areas
- project managing and taking responsbility for small projects and initiatives
- alongside the wider team, taking part in the day to day management and administration of the Social Life office.

We are looking for someone with:

- a good understanding of Social Life's work and what motivates us
- good knowledge of planning, urbanism, housing or a related field of Social Life's work
- research experience, preferably qualitative but also with experience (or if not the proven capability) to use statistics or quantitative analysis
- experience of project management
- excellent written and verbal communication skills, and the ability to deal with challenging situations and stakeholders in a sensitive manner
- confidence and initiative to spot what needs to be done, to deal with ambiguity and to work creatively
- someone who can work collaboratively in our small friendly team
- some knowledge of, and desirably, direct experience of community development
- Desirable: experience of data mapping and/or design skills.

We can offer:

- an opportunity to develop your skills and experience
- a friendly supportive working environment
- a salary of £20,000 to £25,000 (pro rata), depending on experience (more may be possible for an exceptional candidate)
- flexibility, we understand that people have other commitments and could consider a four or five day working week.

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