

**Job title:** Arborist / Climber  
**Service:** Environmental Services – Green Spaces  
**Grade:** G5  
**Reporting to:** Arborist Team Leader

## Your job

As an Arborist/Climber you will support the Greenspaces Team Leader with the effective delivery of day to day grounds and arboricultural maintenance operations, including climbing trees, working at height, use of chainsaws on the ground, use of chainsaws in trees, aerial rescue, thinning, felling, reducing, lifting, pruning, stump grinding.

You will also assist the Team Leader in work planning and will cover this role in their absence. In supporting the Team Leader, you will actively seek ways to improve the service, suggesting new ways of working and embracing change.

## In this job you will

On an on-going basis you will:

- ◆ Undertake the full range of operational and arboricultural maintenance tasks in accordance with the required standards of the service and compliant with Health and Safety, in such a way that they maximise output and efficiency.
- ◆ Maintain relevant operational records and documentation and submit them promptly to the Team Leader.
- ◆ Undertake driving duties, such as transporting staff, machinery, wood chippers and materials, safely, and take responsibility for the security of vehicles, machinery and materials, including fuel, allocated to you.
- ◆ Help to resolve day to day problems, enquiries and complaints as they arise.
- ◆ Provide an 'eyes and ears' service across the Borough by reporting any problems you observe, such as blocked gullies, fly tipping, safeguarding issues or anti-social behaviour through the appropriate channels.
- ◆ Liaise with colleagues, customers and members of the public, as required, to ensure a quality service is delivered and safety is maintained, particularly around working areas.
- ◆ Support the services Risk Assessments, Codes of Practice, COSHH assessments and Health and Safety task audit process.
- ◆ Provide emergency on call cover and respond to out of hours emergency tree work, ensuring the safety of the community.

## In this job you will need

You must be able to demonstrate the following essential requirements:

- ◆ Industry standard operational qualifications including - NPTC Unit 201-206, 301, 302, 306-309 qualifications.
- ◆ A full driving licence including the provision to tow trailers, chippers, etc.
- ◆ An amenity horticulture or arboriculture qualification such as City and Guilds 3 or NVQ Level 3 or equivalent.
- ◆ An ability to work on your own initiative whilst working to deadlines, under pressure and within set procedures.

- ◆ Awareness of the Wildlife and Countryside Act and of the Chapter 8 Regulations and their implementation.
- ◆ Good communication skills both with colleagues and members of the public, displaying tact, understanding and assertiveness, when necessary.
- ◆ Ability to carry out equipment inspection including mechanical, ladders, ropes & harness.

## Our culture

For us, it's not just about all we achieve as an organisation, but how we do it. Therefore, all employees are expected to display our **Be Wigan** behaviours.

**Be Positive...** take pride in all that you do

**Be Accountable...** be responsible for making things better

**Be Courageous...** be open to doing things differently

Individuals with line management responsibilities are also expected to ...

**Inspire...** lead by example and help others to see the big picture

**Care...** show genuine concern for people as individuals and value their contributions

**Engage...** I connect with others both within and beyond the organisation

## Staff Deal

Our Staff Deal is an informal agreement with all staff. It outlines what you can expect from us, and in return what we expect from you





### Our part

- Provide strong, honest and visible leadership
- Reward your commitment and hard work
- Care for your health and well being
- Listen to you and put your ideas into action
- Support you to give something back
- Offer opportunities to learn and grow
- Be one team, one council
- Believe in you

Signed 

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Donna Hall CBE, Chief Executive

### Your part

- Listen, be open, honest and friendly
- Be efficient , flexible and professional
- Care for your health and stay active
- Tell us how we can improve
- Give something back whenever you can
- Take opportunities to learn and grow
- Be one team, one council
- Believe in yourself and our borough

Signed .....

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