About us...



Lincolnshire Co-op, based in the historic city of Lincoln, is one of the most successful and progressive independent co-operatives in the country, with an annual turnover in excess of £300 million.

Essential Information — what you need to know	
Job purpose:	 Providing professional support and guidance on a range of Legal matters and sharing best practice across our Society.
You'll report to:	- Group Secretary and General Counsel
Your hours	- 39 hours per week (FTE)
Your relationships:	- Build and sustain trusted relationships within the Corporate Confidence & Assurance, Property and Leadership Teams.
Your relationships:	 6 years plus PQE working within commercial property (in private practice or inhouse). A basic knowledge of planning frameworks, construction law, affordable/social housing arrangements and/or competition law would be advantageous. The ideal candidate will be enthusiastic, focussed and can handle a varied caseload with minimal supervision. Collaborative, with a strong ability to communicate and business partner with those who are not specialists in this area. Able to be pragmatic with the ability to balance legal risk with commercial objectives and operational effectiveness. Strategic thinker able to view transactions and schemes within the broader context of the Society's purpose and longer-term portfolio objectives.









Together we are...



Caring for our health and



Your Purpose - I will contribute to my team and the Society's ongoing success in this role by...

Property

- Managing strategic property disposals and acquisitions, acting as the overall point of contact for internal stakeholders and external counsel.
- Dealing with development work to meet an intensive acquisition programme including purchases of land for development, existing commercial property and assisting with business acquisitions.
- Reviewing, drafting and negotiating a wide range of development property transaction documents including contract (both conditional and unconditional), option agreements, transfers and planning agreements and documents.
- Dealing with leases, licences and assignments for the Society's extensive property portfolio.
- Working closely with other team members and the Society's Property team of in-house surveyors and managers.
- Advising on a broad range of legal issues when required (both commercial and residential).
- Building and maintaining a detailed knowledge of property legislation and case law and facilitate targeted training and awareness within the Property team and other internal stakeholders where appropriate.
- Acting as the key relationship contact for the Society's appointed external counsel on property related matters, driving quality, value and accountability to ensure delivery of a best-in-class service to the Society.

General

- Working proactively as a member of the Corporate Confidence & Assurance team to ensure that requests for advice and support are dealt with professionally and in a timely manner.
- Demonstrating commercial awareness so that the in-house team is seen as a value adding asset.
- Showing willingness to broaden disciplines and expertise as a member of a fullservice legal function supporting diverse trading activities.
- Working closely with the business to strengthen the visibility of the in-house team by being approachable, commercially minded, and striving to identify solutions.
- Being a role model for the Society's values and behaviours.

Your duties and responsibilities









Together we are...

- **Helpful –** we'll look for ways to make a difference
- Inspiring we'll help everyone be the best they can be
- Trustworthy we can be relied on

Your Approach - how you will contribute to your team and the Society's ongoing success in this role.

I will be helpful by:	 Responding positively to requests from colleagues and customers. Trying to get it right first time. Resolving customer complaints and take corrective action. Sharing my knowledge with my colleagues. Offering to help before being asked. Going above and beyond. Contributing to the team and its success.
I will inspire others by:	 Supporting and encouraging one another. Being a positive role model. Listening and learning from my colleagues and line manager. Building strong relationships with customers and colleagues. Suggesting new ideas and trying new things. Taking pride in my work and celebrating success.
I will be trustworthy by:	 Using good judgement in all situations. Being open and honest. Take responsibility for my work and delivering positive outcomes. Treating everyone fairly and with respect. Doing my best for each other and our communities.





