

Dear Candidate

Head of Leisure and Wellbeing

Thank you for the interest you're showing in becoming our new Head of Leisure and Wellbeing. I think it's a fantastic opportunity for the right person to make a huge impact on our communities.

You'll have gathered from the advert that you'd be working across three of England's most picturesque districts. Parts of them are simply awe-inspiring and it will be great if your leadership, energy and passion are the same.

There's no doubt I'm looking for someone with the commercial acumen and relationships skills to make sure the leisure contracts deliver for our communities and generate the returns needed to support the councils' financial strategies. But, this role is so much more than a bricks and mortar approach to leisure and wellbeing.

Your positive and progressive leadership will help activate, animate and shape healthy communities. You'll have a real impact on social wellbeing in its broadest sense and you'll quickly be recognised as a valued and respected system leader – within both Gloucestershire and Oxfordshire.

Each of our councils is hugely aspirational for its communities and wants someone who can drive forward further improvements and keep a strong focus on high quality services and outcomes for their residents, businesses and visitors.

My communities' team has established a really simple purpose – Improving peoples' quality of life. If that resonates with you and you share our values of being Flexible, Thoughtful, Modern and Authentic, then I'd welcome your application.

Here at Publica our ethos drives our attitude to make it a 'great place to work' for our people. We know that staff who feel supported and enjoy their working environment will deliver their best work and ultimately make sure that we are all delivering the best possible services for our communities.

You'd be joining an ambitious organisation that will provide you with some great opportunities to influence and make a big difference. You'd get great benefits in a diverse and welcoming environment where you can grow, develop and reach your full potential. So, if you choose to apply, I wish you every success!

Andy Barge

Assistant Director - Communities