

Tūranga Mahi / Position Description: Strategy, Policy and Compliance Officer

Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou ka ora ai te iwi With your basket of knowledge, and my basket of knowledge, all will be well

Rotorua Lakes Council is one of the largest employers in Rotorua, building a positive future for our district with approximately 70,000 residents, and visitors numbering in the millions. We are determined to be among the best councils in New Zealand and are committed to continually improve the service provided to our customers, both external and internal.

Our people are central to achieving Council's Priorities and providing high quality community services that offer best value for money. And we are committed to building a high performing culture based on our **core values** of being *innovative*, *helpful*, *respectful*, *engaging and inspiring*. In addition to our values, there are **core competencies** required of all Council staff, being:

- Performance Orientation: A high performer consistently delivering performance outcomes
- Solutions Focused: Committed to customer-centred continuous improvement
- Teamwork: Contributes effectively within a team providing leadership where appropriate
- Relationships: Well-developed interpersonal, and relationship engagement and management skills
- Collaboration: Works collaboratively across teams and functions within a matrix organisation
- · Accountability: Willingly takes accountability and engage in problem solving
- Te Ao Maori: Proficiency in te reo Māori me ona tikanga appropriate to their role¹.

Rotorua is in the heart of the Te Arawa region. 40% of the population are Māori. Being a bicultural city provides a foundation for us to recognise and celebrate our increasing diversity which enriches us as individuals and as a multi-cultural community.

Our top priority is to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of our people at work. We want you to go home healthy and safe each day. Safety is everyone's job – all of our staff have a shared responsibility to manage our work environments to prevent harm, and to actively engage with health and safety initiatives and procedures. Managers are responsible for the health, safety and wellbeing of the areas and people under their leadership.

Rotorua Lakes Council has statutory responsibility for Civil Defence and Emergency Management (CDEM) within the District. This responsibility extends to all staff, who may be called upon to undertake CDEM roles in addition to their position specific responsibilities.

We are one team. To be successful, it is important that all staff are aligned to and actively support the organisation's direction, working collaboratively, and actively participating in activities and initiatives to advance the organisation e.g. activities to build bicultural capability, improve health and safety, or promote diversity.

The following pages provide the requirements of your specific position. In addition to these, you are also expected to be proactive in knowing and following Council policies and procedures.

TE ĀHUA O TE MAHI - POSITION SPECIFICATION

¹ This is informed by our Bicultural Competency Framework, and staff are actively supported in gaining competency.



MAHI - POSITION:	Strategy, Policy and Compliance Officer
RANGATIRA - REPORTS TO:	Manager – Governance, Strategy and Compliance
KĀHUI - GROUP:	Organisational Performance and Innovation
TAUNGA MAHI - LOCATION:	Civic Centre
PŪTAKE - POSITION PURPOSE:	To support Council's vision by providing thorough, evidence-based analysis and insights on Policy, Corporate Planning and Corporate Compliance that impacts Council's community outcomes.
NGĀ WHAKARITENGA - DELEGATIONS	Number and nature of direct reports - Nil Budget responsibility – Nil
HONONGA WAIWAI – KEY RELATIONSHIPS: Rāroto - Internal	 Mayor and Elected Members Te Tatau o te Arawa CE's Group Manahautū Te Arawa Partnership Destination Development Organisational Performance & Innovation Infrastructure & Assets Chief Financial Officer People & Culture Community Experience
HONONGA WAIWAI – KEY RELATIONSHIPS: Rāwaho - External	 Council stakeholders Contracted service providers Technical professionals in your field Consultants and Contractors Auditors Local lwi groups Neighbouring local authorities Mayor and Elected Members Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) Media and professional groups Regional Council Chamber of Commerce Te Arawa Entities Rotorua Community & Partnership Police



NGĀ MAHI MATUA -KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES:

- Conduct in-depth research on policy issues relevant to the organisation and analyse data, trends and legislative developments to inform policy recommendations.
- Track and assess legislative and regulatory changes at both local and national levels.
- Prepare policy/bylaw briefs, reports, and presentations to convey findings and recommendations.
- lead cross-functional teams within the organisation to align policy work with strategic goals.
- Keep up to date with current events, trends, and emerging issues in the policy and compliance arena.
- Communicate effectively and maintain relationships with internal and external stakeholders involved in policy and bylaw development.
- Build strategic relationships and provide advocacy.
- Develop a legislative compliance framework and monitor and report on organisation compliance with external regulatory and legal requirements against this identified framework.
- Gather results and formulate responses on Council's performance management framework alongside the Strategic Advisor – Corporate Strategy and Planning
- Assist the Manager Governance, Strategy and Compliance with administrative tasks related to corporate projects and community feedback catalogues.
- Help gather information for the creation of Corporate Documents.
- Provide support to team members.

NB: the key accountabilities listed above are not an exhaustive list. You may be expected to undertake additional delegated responsibilities in the course of your employment that are consistent with the purpose of your role.

There will also be the annual delivery of agreed KPIs.

TE ĀHUA O TE TANGATA - PERSON SPECIFICATION

NGĀ MAHI MATUA -FORMAL QUALIFICATIONS: (Ngā matau ā-wheako rānei - Or experience recognised as quivalent)

Required

- Experience in working in a complex organisation
- The ability to understand and apply legislation

Desirable

- Tertiary qualification in Public Policy, Political Science, Law
- Training or certification in policy analysis or public administration, corporate planning



NGĀ PŪKENGA -POSITION SPECIFIC COMPETENCIES AND ATTRIBUTES

- Highly effective written and verbal presentation and communication skills; highly developed interpersonal skills
- Excellent problem-solving skills, including exceptional conceptual and analytical ability
- Excellent relationship management skills and the ability to influence others
- Well organised, and an ability to plan and prioritise important activities/tasks and meet timeframes
- Ability to work independently on own projects, as well as work collaboratively on large projects as part of a team
- Ability to express complex matters with simplicity and clarity
- The ability to work unsupervised, and to be self-motivated
- Strong research skills

NGĀ UARATANGA -VALUES:

Tatou Tatou – We Together Kotahi Tatou – One Community – One Team

WHY WE DO IT.....

We believe in empowering our people and providing them with the tools to create value and make a positive difference in their lives and the lives of others

HOW WE DO IT.....

We do this by working in partnership, making it simple and solutions focused

WHAT WE DO.....

We provide quality services for our community and people to prosper

OUR CORE VALUES - PEOPLE FIRST

RESPECTFUL: Integrity, Listening, Pride, Honesty, Empathy,

Understanding, Considerate

HELPFUL: Approachable, Supportive, Collaborate, Go the extra

mile, Proactive, Friendly, Caring, Guiding

ENGAGING: Communication, Connectivity, Partnership, Working

Together, Inclusive, Supportive, Responsive

INSPIRING: Make a difference, Motivated, Take people with you,

Encourage, Have pride in your work, Be proactive,

Energised

INNOVATIVE: Find solutions, Progressive, Continuous improvement,

Empowered

BICULTURAL: Willingness to learn and understand the Māori

worldview, consideration, leading by example, sharing

experiences

