

Dear Candidate,

Many thanks for your interest in the role of Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer.

For anyone that wants to make a lasting impact in a fast-moving and dynamic environment, Cotswold District is a great place for your next career move.

If you've looked at our Corporate Plan, you'll see we're an ambitious Council that likes to get things done. We work well with others, where partnership and collaboration is the name of the game.

As Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer, you'll be a pivotal part of the Corporate Leadership Team, working closely with the Chief Executive, Director of Governance and Development (Monitoring Officer) elected members and our partners to deliver our priorities. You'll be able to operate successfully at a strategic level, whilst being able to keep an eye on the detail.

This role includes responsibility to discharge the statutory duty of Section 151 Officer, but it's much more than that. Yes, you'll use your aptitude and experience to ensure we deliver in accordance with the law and principles of good financial management, but this role provides an opportunity to really shape and influence how the Council operates, with you bringing your ideas and creativity to the table, and implementing best practice. The role will therefore suit people with either a public or private sector background, looking for more than a 'traditional' local authority position.

This is an exciting opportunity to work with the council and our partners on plans to deliver world-leading facilities around global food security and zero carbon sustainable aviation technology. You will be key to working with the Gloucestershire First LEP, the Royal Agricultural University, government departments and the private sector on securing funding and presenting opportunities for the Council to co-invest through its own Recovery Investment Strategy. The Recovery Investment Strategy underpins the Council's £75 million capital fund which is available to increase the Council's revenue income, reducing reliance on government funding, whilst delivering against the Council Priorities as set out in the Corporate Plan.

This is a fantastic opportunity to be part of a forward-thinking Council that's always ready to embrace new ideas. So if you've got what it takes, I'd love to hear from you. I wish you the very best of luck with your application.

Robert Weaver Chief Executive, Cotswold District Council

