



**Conservation Officer**  
**SK11**  
**(£35,586 per annum)**

Are you passionate about the historic environment and place shaping? We have an exciting opportunity to join our dedicated Planning team as a Conservation Officer.

Situated in the heart of Lincolnshire, our district includes the historic market towns of Stamford, Grantham, Bourne and Market Deeping. South Kesteven boasts a rich and diverse built heritage including the first ever Conservation Area in Stamford. With over 2,150 listed buildings, including 120 Grade I listed buildings, 48 Conservation Areas and 9 Registered Parks and Gardens, the district is rich in heritage assets.

As Conservation Officer, you will play a key role in preserving and enhancing the district's historic environment. You will provide specialist conservation advice across the Council, helping to shape sustainable development while safeguarding our heritage assets for future generations.

**What you will be doing**

Working in our planning team, you will

- Provide expert advice on listed buildings, conservation areas and other heritage assets.
- Support the development management team in assessing and determine applications for listed building consent and related planning proposals.
- Contribute to the preparation of conservation area appraisals and management plans.
- Advise planning officers, elected members and external stakeholders on heritage matters.
- Support enforcement action relating to heritage at risk.
- Engage with local communities, amenity societies and property owners to promote best practice in conservation.

**About You**

We are looking for a knowledgeable and motivated professional who is passionate about the historic environment.

You will have:

- A degree or postgraduate qualification in conservation, historic building conservation, planning, architecture or a related field is desirable.



- Demonstrable experience in assessing the impact of proposed development on various heritage assets
- A sound understanding of relevant legislation and policy, including the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and the National Planning Policy Framework.
- Excellent communication skills (written and spoken) and the ability to respond to different situation.
- The ability to manage a varied caseload and work collaboratively within a multidisciplinary team.

Membership of a relevant professional body (e.g. IHBC, RTPI or RIBA) is desirable.

If you're looking to join a team that makes a difference every single day, your perfect career could be waiting for you at South Kesteven District Council.

### Why Work for South Kesteven?

South Kesteven is a district rich in opportunity and potential. It is home to innovative entrepreneurs, a base for global businesses, and boasts excellent local schools—all set within an attractive, rural landscape ideally located in the heart of England. Our vision is to make South Kesteven the best place to live, work, and visit — and we know that by working together, we can achieve that. People are at the heart of what we do here at SKDC. We deliver more than 100 services across the district so there's no limit to where your career can take you. We value our employees and we offer a range of benefits that really make a difference, for everyone.

At South Kesteven, we can offer:

- Flexible, hybrid working arrangements to help you live a balanced lifestyle that works for you
- A generous annual leave entitlement of 25 days, increasing with length of service
- Access to the generous Local Government Pension Scheme
- Opportunities for career and self-development
- Low-cost health care plan
- A Cycle to Work scheme
- Regular well-being activities

You will be given the chance to grow in your career, taking ownership of your learning journey with exciting opportunities for development within the Council, and you can rest assured that we're thinking about your future. Not only can we help you in the short-term with financial schemes to help spread the cost of cars, bikes and technology – you'll become a member of the generous and trusted Local Government Pension Scheme.

For further information or an informal chat about the role please contact **Emma Whittaker** on 01476 406080 extension 6362 or e-mail [emma.whittaker@southkesteven.gov.uk](mailto:emma.whittaker@southkesteven.gov.uk).

Closing date:

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