

Director of Education Commissioning & Inclusion

£72k - £96k pa (4 days/week) | London Borough of Camden

We are making radical social change a reality, so that nobody gets left behind

The Role

This newly-created role will be critical to the successful delivery of Camden's ambition for Equity and Excellence and enabling our most vulnerable children to achieve.

Reporting to the Executive Director of Camden's Supporting People directorate, you'll be a member of a highly-supportive and collegiate DMT and will play a lead role in the development of all the directorate's services and in ensuring that the council works strategically and innovatively with partners so that residents continue to receive the best possible education provision.

You'll specifically be responsible for commissioning and monitoring Camden Learning (Camden's provider of School Improvement services); SEND (including the Educational Psychology Service); all aspects of school organisation and place planning; and Camden's Virtual School.

And you'll be tasked with:

- Implementing Camden's SEND strategy, and preparing for an upcoming SEND inspection.
- Working closely with Camden Learning to ensure the ongoing delivery of high-quality provision (97% of Camden's schools are good or outstanding.)
- Developing effective relationships with Headteachers and Governors so that partners work cohesively and strategically for the future.
- Overseeing the availability of sufficient places locally and making best use of resources to maintain consistently high standards.
- Managing the continued success of the Virtual School in achieving good outcomes for children in care, as confirmed in Camden's recent OFSTED inspection.

This politically restricted post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act and will require an Enhanced DBS.

Camden

Camden is a place where everyone can thrive and the council is committed to all its children having the best start in life: enjoying an excellent school experience in an ambitious and inclusive environment, and having opportunities to lead flourishing lives.

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Here's where you can help decide a better future for us all.

We're ready to welcome your ideas, your views, and your rebellious spirit. Help us redefine how we're supporting people, and we'll redefine what a career can be.

To find out more about what it is like to work at Camden, meet some of our people by visiting www.camdenjobs.co.uk/our-stories.

About you

This newly-created role is an excellent opportunity to support the children and families of Camden, as well as to develop your profile and prove yourself on both the regional and national stage.

Consequently, we are seeking an ambitious education professional who puts child and parent/carer experience at the forefront of all decision-making, with proven expertise in the strategic development and delivery of education services (both school improvement and SEND).

Furthermore, highly-developed relationship- and stakeholder-management capabilities will be required for success.

Inclusion and Diversity

We want Camden Council to be a great place to work and to ensure that our citizens are represented in leadership roles and positions of power. A vital part of this is ensuring we are a truly inclusive organisation that encourages diversity in all respects, including diversity of thinking. We particularly welcome applications from Black, Asian and those of Other Ethnicities, LGBT+, disabled and neurodiverse communities to make a real difference to our residents so that equalities and justice remains at the heart of everything we do.

To discover more about Camden and our commitment towards diversity, equality and safeguarding, please visit www.camdenjobs.co.uk/inclusion-and-diversity.

Asking for Adjustments

Camden is committed to making our recruitment practices barrier-free and as accessible as possible for everyone. This includes making adjustments or changes for disabled people, neurodiverse people or people with long-term health conditions. If you would like us to do anything differently during the application, interview or assessment process, including providing information in an alternative format, please let us know.

Next Steps

So if you're looking for a rewarding role with a supportive and cohesive team that is performing well and keen to achieve even more, contact Andrew Tromans to arrange an initial confidential conversation (07805 226 301 / andrew.tromans@penna.com)

To download a copy of the candidate briefing pack, please click the apply link below.

Closing Date: **Friday 3rd of March**