



Qualifications for Senior Architect - Conservation - Local Government

1. Character

Candidates shall be of good character.

2. Health

Candidates shall be in a state of health such as would indicate a reasonable prospect of ability to render regular and efficient service.

3. Education, experience, etc.

Candidates shall, on the latest date for receipt of completed application forms for the post:

Essential qualifications and experience

- (a) hold a professional qualification in Architecture that is prescribed under the Building Control Act 2007, or a qualification in Architecture that is equivalent to a qualification so prescribed, and be eligible for registration as an architect under the Building Control Act 2007 without requiring further assessment. Any appointment will be subject to registration under the Act;
- (b) have a satisfactory knowledge of architectural heritage, design and conservation, strategic planning and urban design, and the legal framework governing architectural conservation and planning;
- (c) have seven years' satisfactory relevant experience of architectural work including a period of not less than five years satisfactory experience in a responsible capacity;
- (d) possess a high standard of technical training and experience appropriate to the nature of the work undertaken, including administrative experience; demonstrate leadership, problem-solving skills, judgment and initiative, and have a satisfactory knowledge of public service organisation;
- (e) have experience in the management of architectural conservation projects and construction procurement.

Desirable skills and qualifications

- (a) hold a postgraduate qualification (NFQ levels 9 or 10) in architectural conservation, planning, architectural design or urban design; **or** a postgraduate qualification in which the research subject related to the theory and practice of architectural conservation, strategic planning, architectural design or urban design; **or** have a recognised accreditation in architectural conservation;
- (b) demonstrable experience in strategic planning, urban design and/or architectural conservation management;
- (c) experience and/or qualification in project management.

In exercise of the functions conferred on the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht by section 160 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (No. 37 of 2001), which said functions have been delegated to me by the said Minister by virtue of section 236(7) of the said Act, I, Niall O'Donnchú, Assistant Secretary, Department of

Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, hereby declare the foregoing to be the Qualifications for Senior Architect – Conservation.

Dated this 25th day of June 2018

Niall O'Donnchú

Assistant Secretary