# Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta

## Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer

#### Qualifications

#### 1. Character

Candidates shall be of good character.

#### 2. Health

Candidates shall be in a state of health to render regular and efficient service.

#### 3. Education.

Candidates must, on the latest date for receipt of completed application forms, hold a qualification in Horticulture, Landscape Architecture, Arboriculture, Natural or Environmental Science (level 8 or higher on the National Framework of Qualifications).

### 4. Experience, etc.

Candidates shall also:

- a) have not less than seven years post graduate satisfactory experience of planning, design, development and management of one or more of the following: Parks, Heritage Landscapes and Gardens, Open Spaces, Green Infrastructure, Public Realm and Urban Design, Urban Forests, Sports Grounds, Recreation and Play facilities, Burial Grounds, Community Gardens and Allotments;
- have the ability to work on their own initiative and as part of a senior executive team, managing and motivating multi-disciplinary teams to achieve corporate objectives;
- c) have good interpersonal skills to communicate effectively with internal and external stakeholders including interest groups and public representatives;
- d) have proven ability to manage financial resources within a strict budgetary control framework;
- e) have proven ability to manage the delivery of projects on time and within budget, including dealing with procurement, contractors, professional consultants;
- f) demonstrate a capacity for innovation and problem solving;

- g) demonstrate the ability to develop policies, strategies, best practice guidance and the preparation of technical reports as required; and
- h) have a good working knowledge of the legal and regulatory standards that apply to local authorities, including Health and Safety.

In exercise of the functions conferred on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage 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, Fiona Quinn, Assistant Secretary, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage hereby declare the foregoing to be the Qualifications for Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer.

Dated this 23 day of November 2023

Assistant Secretary