# Competition for position Principal Local Government Auditor (Local Government Audit Service)

#### Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage is inviting applications for the position of Principal Auditor.

The Department's mission is to support the sustainable and efficient delivery of well-planned homes and effective local government. The Department has overall responsibility for policy in the areas of housing, local government, planning, water and natural and built heritage and the provision of high quality meteorological information through Met Eireann.

The Local Government Audit Service is a unit within the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. Its remit is to provide an external audit service to local authorities and other local government bodies.

This is a senior management position with the Local Government Audit Service (LGAS). Principal Local Government Auditors are appointed under Section 116 of the Local Government Act, 2001 to audit the annual financial statements of local authorities and other public bodies in accordance with the Code of Audit Practice for the LGAS. Bodies to be audited include City Council, County Councils and other bodies.

As the Principal Local Government Auditor, you will be responsible for delivering a high-quality Value for Money work programme in consultation with the various stakeholders. The Principal Local Government Auditor will be responsible for directing and managing research, data collection, and analysis on all VFM topics and delivering reports. A key requirement of these reports is to make recommendations for improvements and change.

In addition, the role will also include financial auditing and the certification of the annual financial statements of local authorities.

Principal Local Government Auditors are required to work on their own initiative.

The Principal Local Government Auditor will also have responsibility for the management and development of staff in the unit and possess the necessary communication skills to deal effectively with stakeholders.

Principal Local Government Auditors are required to take a lead role in the ongoing strategic development of the Local Government Audit Service including professional auditing standards and quality assurance.

### **Additional Information**

For further information and details on the post please see the attached information booklet. <a href="http://www.housing.gov.ie/recruitment">http://www.housing.gov.ie/recruitment</a>

#### **Employing Department/Authority**

Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage

#### Recruitment

The Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage is recruiting for this position under its Recruitment Licence issued by the Commission for Public Service Appointments (CPSA) and in accordance with the CPSA's Code of Practice.

# **Employing Department/Authority Website**

www.housing.gov.ie

#### Location

Dublin/Cork/Midlands/The West

## **Applications**

The closing date for applications is 3:00 pm on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024. Please note: Only applications submitted on the official application form will be considered. <a href="http://www.housing.gov.ie/recruitment">http://www.housing.gov.ie/recruitment</a>

Advertising Date 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024

# **Closing Date for Applications**

3:00 pm on Friday 1st March 2024.