

Design Manager / Senior Architect for Zulufish Residential, a leading West London Design & Build Company

Company Profile

Zulufish is a fast-growing residential design and build company specialising in mid to high-end residential around west and south-west London. The company started in 2004 on the back of the founders' successful property development and today runs a mixture of own development projects and client work. Most projects are design and build for private clients, and this area of the business is growing very quickly. Turnover this year is forecast to reach 5m+ and we currently have 15+ live design projects at varying stages.

We have an architectural team who prepare the drawings under the creative direction of the Design Manager and MD. We are looking for an experienced part two qualified architect with 3 years + relevant private residential experience to work alongside the three other designers. The other principle director heads up the interior design team which we now offer as a bolt on service to the main design and build service.

The successful candidate will take over the management of the design projects as soon as the design fee proposal is accepted. He/she will then be responsible for working with the client to develop the design aspiration, develop and submit planning proposals which they will carry through to detailed design. Working independently with regular reviews from the design manager.

Zulufish is a rapidly expanding company with a proven track record and superb reputation for quality and service. It is an excellent opportunity for the right individual to help develop and grow both the business and his/her role within it.

Job role

- Office-based, with site visits to potential clients, design projects and live construction projects
- Help cost up design fee proposals
- Deliver inspirational conceptual design developed with feasibility / cost sensitive advice from construction side of the business
- Lead and manage design process with client from concept to handover to the construction team, managing multiple projects at any one time
- Produce drawings as req and manage production of drawings etc by design team
- Set deadlines and timetables and manage production of planning applications and construction/tender packages.
- Manage planning application process
- Work with the Interior Design Director to integrate the interior design service
- Help identify key trends, products and suppliers to keep zf at the forefront of design

Goals

- Free up Design Manager's time by taking responsibility for projects.
- Deliver cutting edge design solutions with a clear construction budget in mind
- Improve presentation of drawings and design packages
- Contribute to a design team with strong design ideas to raise profile further

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Experience Required

- part II qualified architect
- 3 years + experience, ideally in the high-end residential sector
- Autocad, sketch up essential. Revit and other software skills desirable
- Extensive knowledge of UK building regulations and planning regulations and submissions
- Strong personal, client-facing skills
- Passionate about design and the ability to merge old and new architecture
- Proven experience of managing other designers
- Strong work ethic and can do attitude