

Role Profile

Role:	Economic Analysis Officer
Directorate:	Strategy
Contract:	Two Year Fixed-term / Secondment (Public Sector Bodies Only)
Salary:	Circa £45,000 per annum
Purpose:	Work with Transport for the North's (TfN) partners to specify and manage the delivery of an agreed programme of economic analysis to support the development of TfN strategy, schemes and initiatives.
Reports to:	Head of Economic Advice

	Key Role Outputs(KROs) <i>these set out what must be achieved for the post holder to be successful in the role</i>	Key Actions <i>These set out how the KROs will be achieved – the activities required.</i>
1	Undertake strategic economic analysis to inform TfN policy and strategy development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop, maintain and apply a range of future economic scenarios and analysis tools to support strategy and scheme development, building on the Northern Powerhouse Independent Economic Review Undertake research into the northern economy and with particular emphasis on how transport investment can skills, productivity, housing and investment.
2	Effective prioritisation of transport interventions to support the TFN vision and strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the development of a coherent economic framework for TfN that will: Generate evidence based strategic objectives for transport strategy and scheme development, linked to the independent economic review. Specify and deliver the economic analysis that will support the development of the TfN capital programme
3	Develop and apply TfN's Value for Money assessment framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the development of efficient internal procedures for appraising the economic, social and environmental impacts of transport interventions Undertake value for money assessments for policies, strategies and solutions through to outline business case standard.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oversee value for money assessments undertaken by consultants on behalf of TfN.
4	Support the post-implementation evaluation mechanisms of TfN's capital and revenue programmes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a research required to support the on-going development of the Northern Transport Strategy and Strategic Transport Plan.
5	Contribute to TfN projects and work-streams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute to the wider strategy development work of TfN, ensuring that the emerging TfN transport plan and associated scheme development activity is supported and informed by a robust and coherent evidence base.
	<p>Compulsory Outputs (COs) <i>these set out what must be achieved for the post holder to be successful in the role</i></p>	<p>Key Actions <i>These set out how the COs will be achieved – the activities required.</i></p>
C1.	Ensure you comply with all applicable organisational legislation and policy:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TfGM/TfN's Safety Management System (In particular section SMS 201 Roles and Responsibilities) Dignity at Work policy; Risk management TfGM/TfN policies and procedures Equality and diversity legislation TfGM/TfN's Vision & Values Act in accordance with TfGM's/TfN's behaviours and competencies
C2.	Other duties and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deal with any other tasks that may be assigned by senior TfN managers.

Key Interdependencies	
Key Contacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department for Transport and analysts in other central government departments National Agencies including HS2 Ltd, Highways England, Network Rail and Office of Road and Rail TfN Policy and Strategy leads Officers of the various Combined Authorities, PTE's and Local Authorities across the North of England

Direct reports	None
Budget responsibility	Responsibility for the monitoring of project specific budgets
Location	Flexible across the North of England, but with a requirement to regularly work from our offices in Manchester.

Person Specification

<i>Economic Analysis Officer</i> <i>(Knowledge, skills and experience required at selection stage)</i>	
E	Essential Experience:
E1	A strong track record of applying economic theory and evidence in policy development modelling and analytical approaches to public policy interventions
E2	Experience in successfully planning and managing projects, programmes of work and of prioritising workload, including management of consultants
E3	Experience of developing and undertaking analysis to support the development of public policy interventions, particularly supporting the production of the Strategic and Economic Cases for investment
E4	Prepare clear and concise reports and presentations for a variety of audiences
E5	Effective communications with clients/users of modelling and analysis outputs
D	Desirable Experience:
D1	Experience of engaging with senior officers in central or local government regarding economic modelling analysis and evidence, including external organisations and stakeholders
D2	Proven experience of economic modelling and analysis, particularly in relation to economic development issues including skills, housing, social inclusion and investment.
EQ	Essential Qualifications:
EQ1	Educated to degree level or equivalent in a relevant discipline
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DQ	Desirable Qualifications:
DQ2	Higher degree in related subject e.g. transport planning, transport modelling, geography or economics
EA	Essential Attributes:
EA1	Understanding of national and regional policy context
EA2	Ability to work in a multi-stakeholder / partner environment
EA3	Ability to see the bigger picture and not to become distracted by detail

EA4	Ability to assess new information and determine its relevance and importance
EA6	Ability to prepare clear, concise and well-structured reports for a variety of audiences
EA7	Able to communicate efficiently to a variety of audiences clearly and concisely together with excellent listening skills