



middle level
commissioners

Ecologist

An exciting opportunity has arisen to join an ambitious and productive team at the Middle Level Commissioners (MLC) as an ecologist. You will have the opportunity to benefit from an exciting and diverse workload, delivering high quality advice and support for internal and external clients to secure ecological and environment enhancement through the delivery of our flood risk and water level management operations.

We have been proudly managing water levels in the Fens since 1862 and have gained a reputation as a leader in the sector for successfully balancing and managing flood risk, water levels, navigation and nature conservation across the Middle Level, building from the legacy left by the engineers and adventurers involved in the Great Drainage from the 1600s.

The MLC system consists of an arterial network of 200km of channels and banks, spanning two counties. It is where some of our most threatened habitats and species find refuge and thrive, in an otherwise intensively cultivated and developed landscape. The MLC also provide environmental and consultancy services to 36 other Internal Drainage Boards (IDBs) within the same local area, so we are uniquely placed to positively influence opportunities for nature across a significant area of the fenland landscape.

This is an exciting time to be working in the Fens with many national environmental policies and strategies focussing on the area to deliver multifunctional solutions to address the climate and biodiversity crises. Opportunities to get involved and make a real difference are abundant and IDBs are right at the centre of the story.

Please check out the job description <https://middlelevel.gov.uk/vacancies/>

Salary: From £30,114 - £34,821 FTE (Spine Points 14 - 18) dependent upon experience.

Part time of no less than 80% FTE would be considered for the right candidate.

Location: Our office in March, Cambridgeshire (with field work covering the Cambridgeshire and Norfolk Fens)

Benefits include:

- Flexible working hours around core business hours of 9:30am – 3pm
- Training and continuing professional development opportunities
- Paid membership of one professional body
- Starting at 25 days annual leave rising to 29 days after 6 full years (in addition to public holidays)
- Car allowance
- NEST pension with employer contribution
- Free car parking (including electric charging point available)
- BHN Extras portal with cycle to work and shopping discounts

How to apply

Please email chiefofficers@middlelevel.gov.uk with:

- A cover letter outlining why you are a great fit for this role (maximum 2 pages)
- Your CV (maximum 4 pages)

Closing date: Close of business on Friday 31st May.