

# EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL LAUNCHES APPRENTICESHIP SCHEME

**Council launches 2026 apprenticeship scheme to help grow local talent  
East Suffolk Council is helping people unlock their potential with the return of its  
successful apprenticeship scheme.**

There are six new opportunities available in a number of teams, including Coastal Properties, Communities, Finance, Private Sector Housing and Planning.

Potential apprentices can learn more about the scheme and about working for the Council by attending a special open evening, which will take place between 5.30pm and 7pm at East Suffolk House in Melton on Tuesday 12 May, and at Riverside in Lowestoft on Thursday 14 May. Please email [HR@eastsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:HR@eastsuffolk.gov.uk) to book your place.

Chris Bally, East Suffolk Council's Chief Executive, said: "We are once again proud to see our apprenticeship scheme return for a fourteenth year. Each cohort is full of talented apprentices that bring unique qualities to the work they do. Apprenticeships provide the opportunity to gain workplace experience, high quality training, and a recognised qualification - all while in paid employment.

"Our apprenticeship scheme has no upper age limit, and we pride ourselves on being an inclusive employer. Prospective apprentices can be reassured that our supportive culture will enable them to get more out of their apprenticeship than just a qualification.

"I'm looking forward to welcoming the next cohort of apprentices and would encourage anyone to apply, as you never know what opportunities it may unlock."

Keira joined East Suffolk's Corporate Health and Safety Team as an apprentice in 2024 and is now working as a Support Officer in the Environmental Protection Team. Speaking about her apprenticeship, she said: "My apprenticeship has really helped me improve my communication and social skills, as I have been involved in lots of big meetings. I'm also well connected with a lot of the other apprentices, meaning I can reach out for help whenever I need it.

"The biggest perk of doing an apprenticeship is gaining experience within the workplace whilst learning and earning. This isn't something you would be able to do at university."

Current apprenticeship opportunities: <https://eastsuffolk.co/2026-apprenticeship-scheme>

East Suffolk Council careers page: <https://eastsuffolk.co/jobs-2026>

Applications close on Monday 8 June, with all apprentices expected to start in September.

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