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| **Job title:**  | Trainee Buyer |
| **Department:**  | Commercial |
| **Responsible to:**  | Commercial Director |
| **Responsible for:**  | Buying / Procurement function  |

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| **Scope of role:**  |
| **Working as part of the Commercial team, assisting with** the end to end buying process, negotiating and assessing products and supplies to gain commercially viable solutions and practices to maximise profits. |

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| **Main Duties:** **Support and provide effective tender process to meet business plan requirements*** Assist with provision of accurate and detailed tender documents that include all relevant information, drawings and specifications
* Help to ensure that tender documents are submitted on time
* Assist in the effective assessment and sourcing of high quality products and supplies
* Assist with the delivery approved supplier tender lists as directed
* Help to identify and report areas of commercial risk within the tender process

**Provide high quality and cost effective materials that meet development, regulatory and legislative requirements*** Assist with the provision of effective supply chain management
* Help manage the material and supplier tendering process
* Assessment and sourcing of high quality products and supplies
* Assist with the management of Site Material budget
* Help provide feedback to key colleagues on cost, quality and availability of materials
* Gain understanding of exact requirements for each development meeting specifications
* Attend key meetings agreeing specific materials and flow of material requirements feeding into planning submission documentation
* Help manage and monitor the supply of materials against requirements and quality standards
* Help process and update material supply on appropriate materials with accuracy and in a timely fashion
* Assist with the provision of updates on new material developments and availability
* Help to monitor, assess and communicate impacts of future regulatory requirements
* Help analyse and respond to customer feedback to inform future material selections and solve issues quickly and effectively

**Provide effective contribution to budget and CVR processes, ensuring value for money and cost effectiveness*** Help to highlight invoice variances and discrepancies in conjunction with the Accounts Team.
* Help ensure changes to pricing and rebates are recorded and communicated
* Assist with negotiation of material and plant hire costs, payments terms and best value maximising cost and quality
* Help manage and negotiate changes to pricing and rebates to maximise procurement efficiencies
* Help provide feedback to key colleagues on cost, quality and availability of materials
* Help action material and product rebate claims, ensuring monies are claimed in a timely manner
* Help to maintain all data and information on appropriate systems and documentation
* Investigate and analyse new materials and building systems
* Assist with implementation and development of buying policies and procedures

**Requirements of the post holder*** Working towards Professional qualification (CIPS)
* Willingness to expand working knowledge of the house building industry and supply chain management
* Willingness to expand knowledge of relevant regulations and legislation
* Ongoing research of building materials
* Excellent communication skills
* Attention to detail
* Good IT skills
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