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Communications, Communities and Partnerships at Wintringham

What do you do?

I am Community Development Lead for our new development in Wintringham, St Neots and support new residents and families moving in, so they feel welcomed and connected to their community and proud of where they live.

As well as helping new residents settle in, find their way around and establish new groups and sports clubs, we also give them the opportunity to help shape the emerging development through design consultations and resident forums.

I also organise events for Wintringham residents to find out more about the development – from wildlife and ecology activities to archaeological events to find out about the heritage of the area and what was here hundreds of years ago.

A key part of my role is also working with our local partners in the surrounding area, including schools, local businesses and charities to help Wintringham feel part of the wider town and community.

How did you get into it?

I have a background in marketing, communications and event management, both in the corporate private sector and the construction industry. I have also worked in the jobs and skills sector, delivering employability programmes to help jobseekers back into work – which also included construction roles. I am able use all of these skills and experiences in my current role at Urban&Civic.

What do you love about your job?

I love that each day is different and I am definitely a people person, which is a must for this job! The development is constantly growing and changing, but it's not just about building homes and schools, it is also about supporting the wildlife and nature surrounding us. I love being part of peoples' journeys and helping make this a community they are proud to be part of!

Top tips for anyone considering a career in the industry:

If you enjoy working with people, feel you are a good communicator, want to support communities and feel you can add value to this area – then construction is a good place to be. People will always need homes and communities. There are lots of voluntary community groups and charities you can get involved with to see if this is something you would like to do as a career – probably on your own doorstep!



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