

About Cornwall

Cornwall is calling...







Shape the future of one of the UK's most ambitious and distinctive places.

Where place and purpose align. Cornwall offers more than a career move – it's an opportunity to help shape systemic change in one of the UK's most distinctive and strategically important regions.

Once heavily reliant on tourism and agriculture, Cornwall is entering a new era of place-based innovation – positioning itself at the forefront of clean energy, geothermal power, critical minerals, space technology, and advanced digital infrastructure.

For senior leaders in public service, Cornwall presents a rare vantage point: one foot in the UK's national drive for net zero, regional economic rebalancing, Levelling Up and place-led governance – and the other firmly rooted in communities that are ambitious, engaged, and ready for transformation.

Impact and Systems Leadership. Your experience in strategy, governance, and transformation will make a tangible difference. Cornwall Council is one of the region's largest employers, with over 5,000 staff delivering services to half a million residents and more than five million annual visitors.

This is leadership with purpose and consequence. You'll work in a context where the challenges are real – from rural connectivity, housing affordability, and regional inequalities to climate adaptation, skills development, and economic diversification.

In Cornwall, you are not one of many – your voice carries weight. You'll have the opportunity to influence the trajectory of flagship projects – shaping a model of sustainable local growth that others will follow.

Quality of Life and Place Advantage. Here, you do not need to choose between professional ambition and personal wellbeing. Cornwall's dramatic coastline, moorland, cultural heritage, and creative energy are world-renowned – and as a resident, they become part of your everyday life, providing the balance and clarity that underpin effective leadership.

Shorter commutes, closer proximity to nature, and a more balanced pace allow you to focus your energy on strategic thinking, civic design, and long-horizon policy making.

Why Now? Cornwall stands at a pivotal moment. The UK's industrial and devolution strategies are directing significant investment toward regions with the greatest growth potential – and Cornwall is well-placed to convert that investment into long-term, place-based value.

The reactivation of mining, the expansion of clean-energy clusters, and the ambition to deliver inclusive, sustainable growth create a unique opportunity for visionary leadership.

If you seek challenge, influence, and the chance to shape a place as well as an organisation, Cornwall offers a compelling stage. The rewards are deep – stewardship of heritage, the forging of legacy, and the ability to deliver meaningful impact across landscape, culture, and community.

Bring your vision – and you may find that Cornwall transforms you, too.

