

## A Kickstarter with a role in the Planning Services Team at West Berkshire Council had this to say:

*“When I was first introduced to Kickstart it seemed like the scheme was designed for me. It provides young starters like me with that vital first role that gets us started on the job ladder and I wanted to take all the help I could get.*

*“The Kickstart roles at West Berkshire Council seemed like the ideal safe introduction to the new office-working experience as the organisation has safeguarding, checks and balances in place. As somebody who wanted to get started in real work, the job was easy to get to, relatable, and was exactly what I was looking for.*

*“What this role will give me is an example of a significant, stable piece of work experience for my CV, with the added benefit of being trained in specialist software. I’m hoping it will be a leg up into future positions more aligned with my degree.*

*“I’m still learning the ropes of the role and the skills are all new to me, but I feel really engaged and the team are looking after me well*



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