

Director of Children's Integrated Services Education

Contract Type: Permanent

Location: Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham NG2 3NG

Worker Type: Hybrid role

Salary: £95,338 (Level one) rising to 105,328 (Level four) per annum

Lead the Future of Children's Education in Nottingham

Nottingham City Council is seeking a visionary senior leader to drive the strategic direction of our Children's Education Division, putting 'Citizens at the Heart' of everything we do. This pivotal role involves translating ambitious visions into clear goals and outcomes that positively impact children and young people across the city.

Key responsibilities include:

- Providing strategic leadership across diverse education services such as quality improvement, inclusion, SEND, early years, admissions, welfare, and support services.
- Collaborating with Councillors, senior leaders, schools, academy trusts, government bodies, and local partners to create conditions for high-performing, integrated children's services aligned with Nottingham's ambitions.
- Acting as the principal advisor to the Council on education strategy, policy, and service delivery.
- Leading the division's response to the Council's Recovery & Improvement Plan, ensuring readiness for inspections and future challenges.
- Fostering a culture of accountability, innovation, and continuous improvement within the Children's Education Division.

We're seeking a dynamic and forward-thinking senior leader to help shape the future of Nottingham City Council.

You'll bring experience from large, complex organisations, with a proven ability to turn vision into measurable outcomes. You've led multi-disciplinary teams, built organisational reputation, and delivered sustainable improvements. Your leadership balances innovation with strong governance, backed by financial insight and creative problem-solving.

You'll inspire high performance, promote accountability, and support wellbeing across teams. With a focus on future workforce planning, you'll lead change with confidence and adaptability, fostering a culture of continuous improvement.

Collaboration is key. You'll work across sectors, build strong partnerships, and navigate political environments with integrity. Your commitment to equality, diversity, and inclusion will be evident in the services you shape—reflecting the needs of Nottingham's diverse communities.

You will need:

- Appropriate professional qualification at degree level.
- Leadership and management qualification (such as ILM Level 7) or willingness to work towards this.
- Excellent communication skills and the ability to analyse complex data and solve problems effectively.

Why Join Nottingham City Council?

This is a unique opportunity to lead transformational change for children and young people in Nottingham. Join a forward-thinking council that values innovation, collaboration, and putting citizens first. If you are a strategic leader ready to inspire, empower, and deliver inclusive, high-quality education services, we want to hear from you.