



Role: Planning Engineer

Area: Assets and Infrastructure

Sub Area: HSQ – Network Safety

Location: Cork/Dublin

Salary: Competitive

Duration: Specific Purpose **Ref:** GNI928

Gas Networks Ireland operates and maintains Ireland's €3bn, 14,725km national gas network, which is considered one of the safest and most modern renewables-ready gas networks in the world.

Almost 725,000 Irish homes and businesses trust Ireland's gas network to provide efficient and reliable energy to meet their heating, cooking, manufacturing and transport needs.

The gas network is the cornerstone of Ireland's energy system, securely supplying more than 30% of Ireland's total energy and over 40% of the country's electricity generation.

Gas Networks Ireland is aiming to deliver a repurposed, resized and fully decarbonised gas network by 2045. Its "Pathway to a Net Zero Carbon Network" envisions transforming the existing gas network into two separate systems carrying 100% renewable gas, one dedicated to biomethane and the other to green hydrogen, with the potential to carry approximately 30% biomethane and 70% green hydrogen, as well as offering significant long term energy export opportunities.

Gas Networks is an organisation with a very strong legacy and a culture founded on pride in our purpose, to keep Ireland's energy moving, and commitment to our vision, to be at the heart of Ireland's energy future. Our organisational values demonstrate what is important across the organisation including building on our experience across our organisation to build towards our sustainable future, doing what's right for each other and for the people and communities that we serve and finally energised for the change of our future towards a renewable energy landscape. Throughout your career in Gas Networks Ireland, you will be part of an organisation that has a strong commitment to supporting and developing our workforce today and into the future. You will also have an opportunity to get involved in our ambitious iBelong programme ensuring a diverse, equitable and inclusive environment for us all to thrive. Finally, our Time to Talk Mental Health programme and our wellbeing initiatives ensure we provide support across many areas as you work in our organisation.

Gas Networks Ireland is now seeking to appoint a Planning Engineer.

The Role:

The Health, Safety, Quality, (HSQ) function within GNI is responsible for safety policy, quality assurance and compliance across all areas of the business. Reporting to the Senior Pipeline Safety Engineer, the Planning Engineer will have responsibility for managing the provision of GIS data to third parties, analysing and reporting on that data, reviewing planning applications and supporting the implementation of third party damage prevention strategy initiatives. They will also assist with development and rollout of Gas Networks Ireland Process Safety initiatives as required and assist the Senior Pipeline Safety Engineer in doing so. The role requires a proactive approach

to Health and Safety, encouraging and coaching the wider organisation whilst promoting a positive safety culture.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Manage gas transmission, strategic mains and other critical activity enquiries received to GNI through email inboxes and telephone services, supporting the timely and adequate response to these enquiries.
- Manage the process for provision of GIS data to third parties, including provision of quarterly updates to existing approved recipients, and assessment and management of new requests.
- Source data and load into GIS, building functionality where required for reporting purposes.
- Review and analyse the National Planning Application Database (NPAD) and An Bord Pleanála (ABP) databases to determine the location of any new developments in the vicinity of Gas Networks Ireland's infrastructure, analysing and reporting on those developments.
- Respond to planning applications which interact with the GNI infrastructure. This includes both email and hard copy applications.
- Support communication with developers who are planning to complete works in the vicinity of GNI infrastructure.
- Actively participate in review group meetings as required.
- Complete audits of GNI data share recipients on an agreed frequency.
- Ensure that required policies are in place and regularly reviewed to define the process for the provision of GIS data to third parties.
- Support the co-ordination and implementation of third party damage prevention strategy initiatives.
- Measure and analyse third party damage prevention performance and identify areas for improvement.
- Make GIS changes/updates when required (i.e. addition of new objects).
- Provide GIS technical expertise to HSQ colleagues where required.
- Develop and manage relationships with key internal and external stakeholders.
- Other duties as assigned.

Knowledge, Skills and Experience:

- Proven technical competence is essential – Engineering degree or relevant third level qualification or equivalent, and 3 to 5 years relevant experience.
- Knowledge of GIS systems and ability to co-ordinate all aspects of GIS related asset data.
- Proficient in reading maps and interpreting drawings.
- Proficient in MS Excel.
- Excellent analytical skills coupled with ability to identify and analyse problems and potential improvements, and propose and implement solutions.
- Strong quality orientation and attention to detail.
- Excellent communication (written and oral) and interpersonal skills.
- Proven ability to create and develop good working relationships to facilitate the accomplishment of work goals, coupled with the ability to gain commitment from others.
- Experience with identifying improvement opportunities, generating ideas and implementing solutions.
- Ability to set own and others high standards of performance and delivering desired results.

Applications, including current Curriculum Vitae, should be emailed to the following address stating the job title and reference number in the subject line of your email:
recruit@gasnetworks.ie

The closing date for receipt of applications for this vacancy is
22nd of July 2025

Please note that applications submitted after this closing date will not be accepted.

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GNI will only hold your data for as long as necessary. By providing a CV to GNI you are agreeing for GNI to process this information about you. If you have any question about how GNI processes your data please see our Privacy Notice. If you have further questions, you can contact us at dataprotection@gasnetworks.ie