



ASTON MARTIN

External Job Advert

PROJECT COST ENGINEER

Salary: £26,500 Per annum + benefits (subject to relevant background)
Department: TVM (Total Value Management) / PCE (Product Cost Estimating)
Based at: Gaydon, Warwickshire
Reports to: Cost Estimating / TVM Manager
Status: Fixed Term Contract – 12 months starting September 2012

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Purpose

The role exists to identify and implement engineering cost reduction opportunities on current and future vehicles. This role offers a diverse development opportunity and would suit a recent engineering graduate with a desire to broaden their engineering knowledge and commercial skills. The candidate would be placed within the TVM (Total Value Management) & PCE (Product Cost Estimating) teams (both report to the Finance Department).

Core Responsibilities:

- Introduction of engineering changes, following Aston Martin's standard processes.
- To understand product manufacturing processes and develop ground up cost estimates.
- Responsible for a wide variety of components and projects, so flexibility and enthusiasm to transfer knowledge and learning to a new challenge is essential.
- Manage projects within a cross functional team including PD, Purchasing, Quality, Manufacturing, Styling, Marketing and Cost Estimating departments.
- Cost Estimates - By analysing how much a component should cost to manufacture. Understanding of cost drivers involved such as Material, Time, Labour, Machine and Overhead costs.
- Quotation Analysis – AML receive QAFs (Quotation Analysis Forms) from suppliers. These should be analysed for Value for Money. Through supplier visits the Estimator can confirm the content of the QAF and look for "waste" processes and commercial opportunities. Benchmarking – compare similar components within the AML parts library.
- Also look at competitor vehicles through 'tear-down' exercises. This then results in a 'benchmark' cost for the component

Skills/Qualifications/Experience:

- Educated to Engineering Degree level or equivalent.
- Self-motivated, with ability to motivate others to achieve personal objectives
- The successful candidate must be a team player and be able to work closely within a small team.
- Confident communicator with ability to present to senior levels of the organisation.

To apply:

Applications should be submitted to Aston Martin Recruitment at amlrecruitment@astonmartin.com. Should you have any further queries please e-mail us or telephone 01926 644080.

Aston Martin makes appointments based on merit and supports equal opportunities.

Please note that we do not sponsor visa applications. If you are successful in being offered a position with Aston Martin and have the right to work in the UK you will be responsible for maintaining your right to work in the UK during your employment.