

Education Lawyer

PAY SCALE	Grade 13 and SCP 39-43 £51,928 - £56,293
CONTRACT TYPE	Full Time- 37 hours Permanent
LOCATION	Hybrid Home/ Shropshire Council Head Office in Shrewsbury
CLOSING DATE	20/10/2026

Our vision is - Shropshire living the best life.

Shropshire Council is a unitary authority which serves the rural county of Shropshire. One of the most important things about working here is the knowledge that you're working to help others and the real sense of achievement and purpose that brings.

The people of Shropshire are rightly proud of their county's assets, its natural beauty, its history, its diverse economy, its vibrant culture.

About the role

This is an exciting opportunity to join Shropshire Council's legal team. You will manage a varied education law caseload, providing clear, practical advice across SEND, school admissions, exclusions, complaints, equality duties, tribunal proceedings and judicial review, while also supporting the Council's maintained schools.

About you

You will be a qualified solicitor, barrister or Chartered Legal Executive with litigation and advocacy rights, bringing sound professional judgement and the confidence to take ownership of a varied and rewarding caseload.

You will have at least two years' post-qualification experience in education law, SEND law or general litigation, with the ability to translate complex issues into clear, practical and well-reasoned advice.

You will be curious, adaptable and committed to developing your expertise. Strong written and verbal communication, careful analysis and an organised approach will enable you to manage cases, files and competing priorities effectively.

Benefits

We value our employees and offer staff rewards and plenty of opportunities for personal development, apprenticeships and career progression including:

- Generous annual leave commencing at 28 days increasing with service to 33 days (pro rata for part time). With additional annual leave purchase policy.
- Access to a benefits platform with a wide range of retail discounts and salary sacrifice schemes (cars, bikes, AVCs)
- Employer contribution Pension Scheme [Shropshire County Pension Fund](#)
- Supportive carers and parental policies (maternity, paternity, adoption leave, special leave)
- Many opportunities for flexible and agile working, we offer a hybrid model of working to promote flexible working around personal and family commitments.
- Access to counselling and occupational health services
- Staff networks

How to apply

We would love to get to know you more so please give us a call if you would like to discuss this role or our team. You can contact **Rhian Cains**, Interim Head of Legal Services- Deputy Monitoring Officer either by email on rhian.cains@shropshire.gov.uk or telephone 01743 252742

When you are ready to apply, you will need to complete the online application form detailing what you can bring to the role which is outlined within the job description and how you meet the job requirements within the person specification. We look forward to hearing from you!