





**Application pack:** 

**Operations Assistant** 

Dear Applicant,

Many thanks for your interest in a post with us as an Operations Assistant! Please find enclosed a description of the role along with some further information about what makes us tick. To apply for the post, please complete the online application form and upload your CV and a cover letter. If you have any questions about the role, please email jobs@midsummerenergy.co.uk.

Our operations team is a vital part of our business, keeping goods flowing into the warehouses and out again to customers all over the country. This is an essential role for us - and will be packed with variety. We promise there will never be a dull moment! Thanks for your interest in being a part of what we do. We really look forward to hearing from you. yours faithfully,

Andy Rankin

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Managing Director, Midsummer



### The role



### Working within the Midsummer Operations team:

Our Operations, Logistics and Customer Support Specialists work in an extremely fast-paced and varied environment, using their logistical expertise, knowledge of the business and problem solving skills to deliver high quality advice and resolutions to our customers and courier partners. This critical role is at the interface of several internal and external stakeholders, and you will need to be dynamic and quick thinking, and able to multitask, prioritise, and work well under pressure.

Midsummer strives to be the best at what we do, and to always deliver a top level of service to our customers, and this role is central to that commitment. In order to do this well, it's important we anticipate and prevent problems before they arise, avoid over-promising and under-delivering, and that communications between Midsummer and our customers are clear, consistent and honest.

So, while you will need to be

- Personable
- Friendly
- And solution driven

You will also need to be

- Firm
- Fair
- And robust in your actions and decision making

Whilst being confident in your ability to communicate those decisions clearly.



### **About You**



### Looking to be part of the solution, working with a fun team?

If you like variety and enjoy a challenge - this fast-paced role could be for you.

- You will work as part of the wider Midsummer team to ensure efficiency and accuracy on behalf of our customers, and assist them in a timely and professional manner.
- You will have excellent communication skills and a polite and efficient manner so that you can liaise with all stakeholders.
- You will have attention to detail and be meticulous in recording errors and damages.
- You will enjoy problem solving, in a very practical way, being both proactive and reactive and flourish in a role that's never dull.
- You enjoy a dynamic work atmosphere, and have a friendly and easy-going manner with co-workers and customers.
- You're happy to get involved with whatever needs doing, and eager to be part of helping our company grow.



# Qualifications?



Degree level qualifications in any subject are helpful and welcome, but not essential. If you have qualifications or 2+ years experience in logistics or operations roles, we would also welcome your application.

Experience in operations, customer service, retail or warehouse work would be an advantage - but it is far from essential, and recent graduates who want to begin a career in renewables would be equally welcome to apply.

### **Apply here**

As long as you are hard working, work well on your own initiative, and have a smile on your face even at the end of a long hard day we'd love to hear from you!



### What we offer



You'll be joining a young, dynamic company with positive values that is aiming to position itself as the leading distributor of renewable energy systems in the UK. There's a friendly and informal atmosphere in the office, and a real buzz when things get busy.

- The job offers a salary of £28, 000 depending on experience. The Company also operates a profit-share scheme for long serving employees, which can add significantly to basic salary. This is a full time role based at our warehouse in Coldham's Business Park, Cambridge. However, we will potentially move to a new site locally in the future, so ask that you be willing to move if necessary.
- You will report directly to the Head of Operations.
- The role comes with 25 days holiday plus Bank Holidays.

#### Other benefits include:

- Enrolment in the company pension and the option to join the salary sacrifice scheme
- Free bag of delicious, fresh, locally-grown organic veg every week
- Employee Assistance Package
- EV salary sacrifice scheme
- Cycle to work scheme
- Free bike maintenance
- Early finish on a Friday
- Lots of clubs to get involved with and company socials

We are flexible on start dates but are looking for someone to start as soon as possible.

#### To apply

Please complete the online application form at midsummerwholesale.co.uk/jobs



## **Our Story**









2005 2015 2025

Midsummer began life in the front room of a narrowboat, when our founder started selling solar panels to fellow boaters.

#### Sticking to our roots

We've grown through 7 ever-larger warehouses since then and diversified what we do - but an important part of our business remains the supply of off-grid systems to customers who need power away from the national grid.

#### **Growing branches**

With the introduction of the Feed-in Tariff in 2010 we began installing and supplying larger grid-connect solar PV systems. Today, the distribution of solar PV and battery storage accounts for the majority of our £125M annual turnover.

#### **Planting seeds**

In 2019 we opened a subsidiary on the outskirts of Dublin. Our team have gone from strength to strength, and have just moved to a larger warehouse. Last year we also opened another satellite warehouse in Glasgow.

#### Software - the secret of our success

We've written our own PV design software that makes designing solar power systems incredibly easy. It's used by installers and manufacturers in the UK and internationally.

We have also developed software for designing heat pump systems. Heat pumps are the future of heating, and we want to be at the forefront of their deployment in the UK. They will be an important part of the next chapter of our story!

### **Our values**



It has never been our aim simply to make a profit. We want to make a positive impact on the world around us too. This is what we stand for.

#### **Eliminating fossil fuels**

We are passionate about moving as swiftly as we can to eliminate fossil fuels from electricity generation, heating and transport. We only sell products and systems that further that aim.

We are also working to reduce fossil fuel use in our own operations. We have solar arrays on our Milton office and our warehouse in Glasgow. We help our employees to keep their own footprints low by encouraging cycling and walking over car use.

#### Reducing consumption

Over-consumption is at the heart of many of the environmental problems that the world is experiencing. Most businesses operate a business model which is designed to encourage consumption. We want to be different.

We sell solar PV systems that greatly reduce the amount of energy that properties need to import, and we sell heat pumps that use less primary energy (and from less damaging sources) than the fossil fuel based heating systems that they are replacing.

We don't sell disposable items. All the products that we sell are designed to last for many years. Many of the solar panels we sell have a 30 year warranty.

We try where we can to reduce consumption in our own operations. We re-use a lot of the packaging that products arrive in.





#### Putting people and planet before profit

We believe that businesses have a bigger responsibility to the planet, and to their employees and the communities they operate in, than they do to their shareholders.

We are a successful business. Some of our annual profit is returned to our employees through a staff profit share scheme. We also have a community fund which donates to socially beneficial and sustainable projects in the community. Almost all the remaining profit is reinvested into the business - very little is paid out in shareholder dividends.

We believe in reducing the gap between rich and poor. We pay well over the living wage to all our employees, and our profit share scheme is equitable, so that all employees, from the most junior to the most senior, share equally in the rewards when the company does well. For senior staff we aim to pay competitive salaries, but we don't believe in excessive executive pay.

We believe healthy employees are happy employees. We work with local organic growers to provide all our employees with a vegetable box each week.



## Leadership team





### Andy Rankin Founder

A former climate scientist who started a solar company from his offgrid home 15 years ago. Andy likes to build things from scratch, whether that's companies, houses, solar farms, software or freight bikes.



### Jamie Vaux Commercial Director

An environmental business enthusiast who went looking for a company to throw his idealism at, Jamie has spent 10 years chasing sales and building the Midsummer team. Out of the office you'll find him lifting something heavy or cooking.



# Lowri Goodyer Sales Director

A fellow eco-crusader, Lowri heads up UK sales - and can be found climbing, surfing, running, snowboarding or gardening when she wants a rest!



**Tom Kemsley** Scotland Manager

Tom joined our graduate scheme green out of university. Although he subsequently tried to escape, even in New Zealand he found the magnetic pull of Midsummer drawing him back. He heads up our office in Glasgow.



2022 Distributor of the Year - Solar & Storage Live Awards
2024 Cambridgeshire's Top 100 Companies (7th) - Grant Thornton
2024 Cambridgeshire's 50 Fastest Growing Businesses (2nd) - Grant Thornton
2025 FT Europe's Fastest 1000 Growing Companies - Financial Times

"I can't imagine a job I'd love more or a company I could be more committed to. Every single day we're moving renewables forward and I'm surrounded by a great bunch of people helping to do it."



# Easy PV

### Solar design made simple

We used to install solar PV systems ourselves - and found that we had to use 5 or 6 different software packages to complete a full design.

Every mounting system, every inverter brand, had their own design tool - and then you had to use spreadsheets and word processors to pull everything together and create a nicely formatted quote.

We shoehorned a design package together that did everything - and saved ourselves a lot of time and wasted effort!

When we gave up installations to concentrate on distribution, we realised our design tool was actually one of our greatest assets. We put a huge amount of effort into improving it and making it available to our distribution partners. It's now used by hundreds of people every day to design PV systems. And because it connects seamlessly to our e-commerce website, it makes it easy for users to purchase from us. We have seen our sales grow enormously as a result.

- Draws roofs to scale
- Automatically create solar array layouts
- Designs the mounting system and undertakes structural calculations
- Selects appropriate inverters and undertakes stringing calculations
- Specifies electrical components
- Creates a schematic
- Produces shading & yield calculations
- Generates a professional quote and technical report
- Makes financial projections for the customer
- Auto-completes commissioning forms
- Connects to our websites for rapid ordering



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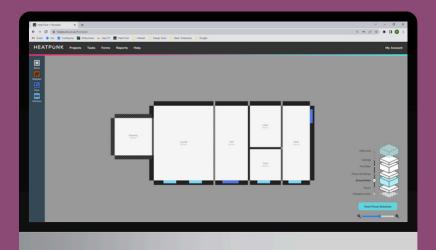
# HEATPUNK

We've also released a tool that allows installers to survey properties and design heat pump systems.

Building on the web technology we used to create the roof editor for Easy-PV, we've created a floorplan editor that makes it extremely easy to draw a house to scale and undertake detailed room-by-room heat loss calculations.

The software automatically selects the optimum heat pump and shows which rooms may need upgraded radiators to work at the relatively low flow temperatures that a heat pump produces.





Heat pumps are the future of heating, We're at the beginning of a transformation of the entire heating industry, and our software will be a big part of that. There are exciting times ahead!

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