

Cloud Application Developer (Secure Gov)

Level: Senior Engineer

Location: Cheltenham

Job Type: Full-time, 37.5 hours per week

About Austin Elliot

Join Austin Elliot Consultancy – where digital transformation meets compassion. We are a leading consultancy specialising in technical delivery and organisational transformation for the public sector. With a mission to become the supplier of choice for digital change, we tailor our solutions to fit the unique needs of our clients—focusing on empowering the people behind the technology. Our vision is to help organisations optimise their technical capabilities through the talent already within their teams. If you're passionate about making meaningful change with integrity, humility, leadership, and selflessness, we'd love for you to join us on this rewarding journey.

We are seeking a passionate and driven **Cloud Application Developer** to join our **Secure Gov Sector**, delivering innovative solutions with real-world impact. As a Cloud Application Developer, you will work across all stages of the DevOps lifecycle with a specific focus on deployment and operation. You will play a key role in maintaining the consistency, scalability and reliability of operational applications, ensuring that end-users remain empowered to carry out their vital work.

The following is a headline list of the type of tasking that the person in this role may be expected to lead / facilitate / support. This list is not exhaustive; rather an outline of responsibilities that may need ownership.

What you'll do:

In this role, you will:

- Design, build and deploy secure, cloud-native applications within environments such as AWS, Azure and OpenShift
- Embed secure-by-design principles throughout the development lifecycle — from architecture and coding through to containerisation, deployment and runtime operation.
- Build, debug and manage containerised applications within secure cloud environments.
- Design and implement robust identity and access controls, protecting sensitive systems and data in line with organisational and regulatory requirements.
- Contribute across the full stack where required, ensuring frontend and backend components are developed with the cloud in mind.
- Implement effective monitoring and logging to maintain operational visibility and support incident response.
- Collaborate across multidisciplinary teams to solve complex, multi-faceted problems.
- Take ownership of issues across the application and cloud stack, driving root cause analysis and continuous improvement.

What we're looking for:

- Containerisation & Orchestration Layer - Openshift, Docker, Kubernetes, Helm
- Application Development & Runtime - Java, Python

- Identity, Access & Security Layer – An understanding of: Keycloak, Redhat SSO, OIDC, SAML
- Experience and knowledge of AWS / Azure and Azure Virtual Desktop.
- Familiarity with deploying applications to cloud architecture and technologies in AWS environments.
- Experience of Test Driven or Behaviour Driven development.
- API development and integration (preferably using Go but not essential).
- Experience with monitoring systems e.g., ELK, Nagios, New Relic, DataDog, Splunk etc.
- Working knowledge of digital delivery processes and methodologies.
- Working knowledge of Atlassian Toolset.
- Knowledge of Javascript frontend frameworks.
- Understanding of front-end technologies, such as HTML5, and CSS3.
- Understanding the nature of asynchronous programming, its quirks and workarounds.
- Understanding of database schemas and query languages.
- Knowledge of source control technologies, e.g. Bitbucket, Git, Subversion, etc.
- An understanding of how to deploy and configure AWS components to adhere to tight security requirements.

What we offer:

- Competitive salary with personal & company bonus scheme, plus business development commission
- Life Assurance and Private Medical Insurance
- 28 days holiday (plus option to buy up to 2 extra weeks)
- Generous pension contributions with access to a personal financial advisor
- Car scheme available
- Hybrid and flexible working arrangements
- Beautiful central Cheltenham offices with parking, flexible workspaces, and comfy lounge areas
- Always-stocked fridge with drinks and snacks
- Fun, collaborative team culture with regular social events and parties
- Opportunities to grow with a generous annual training budget
- Amazing long-service benefits, including extra holiday, higher pension contributions, retention bonuses, and charitable contributions.

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