

Amy Bell

Events Officer

“My aim this year is to promote Quality as a career choice and help encourage more young professionals to get involved with the CQI. I hope we can hold a successful event and get to meet all the other people who are part of the Next Generation Network”



Amy studied Linguistics and English Language at the University of Manchester and graduated in 2009. Her pathway into Quality began in 2009 when she took a role proof reading documents for a little software company called Applied Integration UK Ltd. At first, this involved working on the Quality Manual and Management Plans but it soon developed into a role which encompassed many tasks including configuration management, stock control and purchasing. During this time, Amy began the Level 5 Diploma in Quality Management with the CQI.

In 2012, Amy moved to a position with BAE Systems – Maritime Submarines, who had previously been a customer of Applied Integration. This involved a move from the North East over to Cumbria to start a role as a buyer on the Astute Class Submarines. After meeting the Head of Quality on a night out, Amy explained that she was completing the Quality Diploma and managed to wangle a job in the central Quality department. This role included supporting other functions from a Quality Perspective, ensuring documentation was up to date, running Quality Integrated Work Teams and Root Cause analysis sessions.

During this time Amy secured a secondment in the supplier assurance team where she could use her purchasing knowledge as well as her Quality experience. Amy has since become a Lead Auditor and completed the Level 5 CQI Diploma. She started full time in the Supplier Assurance Team in November 2013 working on the Vanguard replacement project. This involves supporting the major sub contract process, reviewing and approving supplier Quality deliverables, managing supplier performance and carrying out supplier audits (both approval and process type audits).

In Late 2012, Amy applied to be a member of the original NGN and was assigned a position on the steering committee.

In her spare time Amy enjoys travelling the world, the more exotic the better. Recent destinations include The Gambia and Guatemala with a trip to Ethiopia planned for later this year. She keeps fit by running and horse riding in the local Lake District and is a keen member of a book club, which was started up with friends.

Amy's Quality Career Timeline in 30 seconds...

