Job Description



Job Title: Resident Engagement and Participation Apprentice	Service Area: Resident Engageme	Service Area: Resident Engagement and Participation	
Directorate: Communications, Resident	Post Number:	Evaluation Number:	
Engagement & Policy	37562	6827	
Grade: Apprentice Grade	Date last updated:	Date last updated:	
London Living Wage rate	June 2023		

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

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COMMITMENT TO AND UNDERSTANDING OF NEWHAM VALUES

Honesty – Clear and accountable communication regarding tasks carried out **Equality** – Demonstrating an inclusive approach when engaging with colleagues and others

Ambition – Committing to completing the apprenticeship programme and delivering high performance

Respect – Valuing the non-judgemental and confidential nature of the space created for residents and colleagues, and taking on board their experiences, feedback and suggestions.

Together – Connecting up with other parts of the service / council promoting collaborative, supportive working

COMMITMENT TO PERSONAL LEARNING

To successfully complete the Apprenticeship, not only must the apprentice meet the performance standards required, but individuals must also meet the off-the job learning requirements.

Responsibilities include:

- learning and developing practical skills,
- participating in classes and workshops on and offsite,
- observing all employee processes and procedures,
- completing tests and assignments
- delivering presentations to colleagues and other stakeholders.

You should be well-organised, flexible, and willing to assist wherever possible.

Overall Purpose of Job

The primary purpose of the job is to provide a reliable, high quality administrative support service to the Resident Engagement and Participation team. See below for the objectives you can expect to be set if you are successful in securing the role:

Community Grants:

- To act as first point of contact for the Community Grants programme and to assist in the delivery of the programme.
- To provide administrative support to the programme.
- To receive applications and participate in the assessment of community grant applications.
- To collate and provide information for the programme.
- To respond to enquiries, and to assist in the preparation of correspondence and reports.

Community Partnership work with the Voluntary, Community & Faith sector (VCFS):

- To maintain the database of organisations in the VCFS
- To provide support with communications including e-newsletters.

People Powered Places:

- To provide administrative support for the programme.
- To support with communications including e-newsletters.
- To provide support and coordination at People Powered Places events.

Co-Production:

- To provide administrative support for Reward and Recognition claims.
- To provide general administrative support to the programme.

Volunteering:

- To provide general administrative support to the programme.
- To support with communications including regular e-newsletters to volunteers and organisations.

General:

- To ensure work is completed in accordance with agreed timescales, targets and service standards. These will be reasonable and you will be fully supported but you can expect to be challenged if deadlines are not met.
- To offer excellent customer service in all areas of work. The Resident Engagement and Participation Team (REP) work with internal staff, Newham residents, voluntary, community and faith organisations – you will be expected to respond to enquiries and to refer to colleagues where needed.
- To assist in preparation and distribution of agendas, minutes and other documents. The REP Team holds various meetings and you will be fully involved in these.
- You will be expected to complete all exercises, pre-work and assignments set by the training provider to meet the Business Administrator Apprenticeship Standard.

Most important – you'll be expected to get involved and learn all that you can and in return you can expect to be encouraged and supported.

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Job Context

- The job title of Newham Apprentice applies to all of the apprentices hired as part of the Newham Apprenticeship Scheme. The Resident Engagement and Participation Apprentice is a member of the Resident Engagement and Participation team, although they will be expected to work in a flexible manner and carry out appropriate work in other teams when necessary to meet service objectives.
- 2. To be successful as an Apprentice, you must have great time management skills and be willing to fit into the existing team structure. You must demonstrate the council's values and behaviours in all that you do. Outstanding Apprentices are those who respond well to criticism, build good relationships with colleagues, and ultimately make a positive lasting impression.
- 3. You will report to a relevant Supervisor, the supervisor will agree tasks to be undertaken, these will be shaped by the programmes the REP team delivers.
- 4. You will have no direct management responsibility.

5. The post holder has no financial responsibilities beyond the care and maintenance of the Council's resources.

Key Tasks and Accountabilities

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- 2. To make the best use of appropriate ICT systems including the Council's internet and intranet, email and other systems in order to provide an efficient and effective service.
- 3. To ensure work is completed in accordance with agreed timescales, targets and service standards.
- 4. Prepare routine and standard correspondence on a range of issues, making amendments as appropriate to the individual circumstances.
- 5. To enter and maintain appropriate records onto the relevant systems, assisting with the production of statistics and management information as required.
- 6. To assist service users, staff and other agencies with general enquiries, both by telephone and in person.
- 7. To maintain excellent customer service in all areas of work.
- 8. To maintain high levels of sensitivity in relation to personal, confidential and sensitive issues.
- 9. To provide cover for other appropriate staff at the place of work.
- 10. To assist in preparation and despatch of agendas, minutes and other documents as necessary.
- 11. To administer a range of procedures relating to the appropriate functional team. Examples of such work include:
 - Dealing with general enquiries.
 - Processing bookings
 - Preparing amendments/variations to documents.
 - Maintaining secure and accurate records.
 - Process documentation to meet deadlines.
 - Process records; monitor input on the corporate systems to ensure information is kept up to date.
 - Collation, reporting and basic analysis of management information.
 - To take minutes of meetings as appropriate.
- 12. In addition to meeting the performance requirements of the role, the apprentice is required to have good time management, analytical thinking, and good interpersonal skills; have excellent problem-solving and troubleshooting abilities; and demonstrate a growth mind-set and passion for learning. They will be required to spend 20% of their time off the job learning. This includes, but is not confined to:

- Attending classes/training modules as required by the Training provider, and participating in as many learning opportunities as possible.
- Assisting within (the relevant team and/or department), and also learning about other aspects of the Service.
- Observing the council's health and safety procedures.
- Completing all mandatory tests, presentations, and other required evaluations within timescales set by the Training provider.
- Working in the office and travelling to other sites when required.
- Positively receiving feedback and ensuring the line manager is kept updated on progress.
- Attending meetings and offering suggestions for improvement.
- Maintaining records, both on-line and where appropriate off-line, of everything learned.
- Building professional relationships with colleagues, talent Hub representatives and service users.

Personal Specification



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Communications, Resident Engagement & Policy	37562	5146
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

The criteria listed in this Person Specification are all essential to the job. Where the Method of Assessment is stated to be the Application Form, your application needs to demonstrate clearly and concisely how you meet each of the criteria, even if other methods of assessment are also shown. If you do not address these criteria fully, or if we do not consider that you meet them, you will not be shortlisted. Please give specific examples wherever possible.

CRITERIA

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

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KNOWLEDGE:	
Awareness of appropriate office procedures and systems, particularly those applicable in a local government setting.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Working knowledge of Microsoft Word and basic knowledge of excel and/or access in order to input and manipulate data.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Demonstrate basic knowledge and commitment to diversity and equality in the workplace.	Application Form/Interview/Test
EXPERIENCE:	
Experience of working efficiently, effectively and accurately.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Basic experience of using Microsoft databases/spreadsheets and word processing.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Experience of dealing effectively with customers face to face and on the telephone.	Application Form/Interview/Test
SKILLS AND ABILITIES:	
Good written and verbal communication skills.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Effective interpersonal skills.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Ability to work effectively as part of a team.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Ability to work on own initiative.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Ability to learn and use new systems quickly.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Ability to prepare simple reports and documents.	Application Form/Interview/Test

Attention to detail	Application Form/Interview/Test
PERSONAL STYLE AND BEHAVIOUR:	
Demonstrate a professional approach and commitment to customer service.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Flexible and proactive approach to work.	Application Form/Interview/Test
Able to maintain confidentiality and sensitivity in all circumstances.	Application Form/Interview/Test