

## Parish Council Manager - Person Specification

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Education, qualifications,	Tertiary qualification or	Hold Certificate in Local
training, knowledge.	equivalent work-based	Council Administration
	experience.	(CiLCA) or equivalent, or
		significant experience
	Good working knowledge	working in/with parish and
	of parish and town	town councils.
	councils, their procedures, and	
	laws.	Qualified to degree level,
		ideally in a related topic.
Experience	Experience of working within	Have or be willing to
	the voluntary & community	develop a keen and genuine
	sector or a local authority	interest in the parish and
	environment.	town council sector.
	Experience of problem	Relevant experience in
	solving and dealing with	working for or with parish
	complex issues.	and town councils.
	Experience of managing	Experience of working for
	budgets.	or with principal councils.
		Experience of community
		engagement.
		Experience of managing
		projects.
		Experience of administering
		burials.
		Experience of managing staff
		and contractors.
Skills and abilities	A very quick and self-	Ability to identify sensitive
	motivated learner.	issues and problems and
		identify appropriate solutions.
	Works on own initiative,	
	including identifying options	Ability to undertake
	for consideration by council.	independent research and
		due diligence.

	Good interpersonal skills and high level of written and oral communication and numeracy skills.  Ability to work under pressure and effectively manage changing work priorities.  Strong organisational skills.  Proficient in the use of Microsoft Office or similar.  Ability to develop and sustain effective working relationships at all levels.  Ability to work with elected members and members of the public from all backgrounds.	
Other	Able to deliver a flexible approach to working hours, i.e. regular evening and occasional weekend working.  Must be comfortable with lone working.  High degree of personal integrity.  Must demonstrate diplomacy, tact and sensitivity.  Ability to work on own initiative and as part of a team and be flexible, open to the ideas of others and willing to share skills with others.  Stamina to sustain a demanding job.	Sound judgement and a mature, pragmatic and flexible approach.  Demonstrates a strong commitment to partnership working.