

Job Description

For Administrative Positions

This form is used to provide a complete description of the specific job (or role) and defines the skills, knowledge and abilities required to undertake the specific and generic role profile.

Section A: Specific Role Profile

The specific role profile provides key information relating to the salary and working conditions e.g. location of a job, along with the current focus of the job role and a brief description of the main duties.

Role Details

Job Title:	Business Support Officer	JEID	AD001
Salary Grade:	Grade E		
Team:	Adoption Central England (ACE)		
Service Area:	Adoption		
Primary Location:	Saltisford Office Park		
Political Restriction	This position is not politically restricted.		
Responsible to:	Business Support Manager		
Responsible for:	The business support needs of the regional adoption service including data inputting and a wide range of administrative tasks as required in responding to customer contact and other enquiries about the adoption service.		

Role Purpose

To be part of a busy business support team that will ensure the regional adoption service functions effectively by working in accordance with agreed procedures and processes. To support the social work staff in delivering the full range of services including first contact with all enquiries about adoption.

Role Responsibilities

Administratively support the adoption process from initial contact through to one year post adoption - this involves liaising with individuals wishing to adopt, social workers and other local authority staff.

Responding to telephone calls - this is a busy office

Supporting a duty referral system, taking information from callers and inputting referral details onto the computerised client record system.

Sending out information, recording responses and supporting individuals and staff during the adoption process.

Processing reference checks and ensuring the confidentiality of the business

Arranging and supporting training sessions for prospective adopters working closely with the social work team.

Arranging and supporting meetings providing minutes as required

Scanning and uploading information to the electronic client record system

Retrieving records from archive, preparing records to be returned in line with policies and procedures.

Section B: Generic Role Profile

The generic role profile provides a list of the main tasks that cover the broad range of duties and responsibilities performed at this level for the job role. An employee may not be undertaking all of these at any one time, but they could be expected to do so under their contract of employment.

Generic Role Details

Job Role:	Administrator – Level 1
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Main Tasks

- To operate routine administrative systems and procedures within the team that specifically supports the operation of the service area.
- To organise meetings and events in liaison with other relevant officers and outside agencies / bodies and take minutes /notes as required.
- To receive, sort and distribute incoming/outgoing mail.
- To provide a frontline customer response service and resolve basic queries.
- To send out routine communications, issue reminders and chase responses.
- To undertake a range of routine tasks specific to the service area, prioritising them as directed and working within approved procedures.
- To undertake routine financial processes including checking stock level and raising orders/requisitions in accordance with approved procedures.
- To check and look after office equipment bringing any issues to the attention of the supervisor.
- To collate, record, store and retrieve data and information as required.

Section B: Person Specification

The person specification provides a list of essential and desirable criteria (skills and competencies) that a candidate should have in order to perform the job.

Each of the criteria listed below will be measured through; the application form (A), a test / exercise (T), an interview (I), a presentation (P) or documentation (D).

Essential Criteria

Assessed By:

Good literacy and numeracy skills	A
To be able to analyse and interpret factual information to solve straightforward problems	I
To be able to communicate, in person and/or in writing, a variety of information to	A, I, T

a range of people	
To be able to use a keyboard with some precision and speed	T
The ability to work under pressure including meeting deadlines and dealing with interruptions	A, I
The ability to cope in situations where there is an emotional demand arising from the work being undertaken	A, I
Experience of handling and processing manual or computerised information	A

Desirable Criteria

Assessed By:

Knowledge of Children Social Services	A, I
Confident telephone and verbal communication skills	A, I

Section C: Working Conditions

The working conditions relate to those non-contractual elements of the job that may impact on the holder of the position, as well as those workplace-based responsibilities that are part of this job. These are not contractual but provide a guide to the working conditions and the potential hazards and risks that may be faced.

Health & Safety at Work

To take responsibility for your own health, safety and wellbeing, and undertake health and safety duties and responsibilities for your role as specified within Warwickshire County Councils Health and Safety Policy, and all other relevant health and safety policies, arrangements, procedures, systems of work as specified for the post/ role.

Potential Hazards & Risks

The potential significant hazard(s) and risk(s) for this job are identified below (those ticked). The purpose of recording this information on the job description is so that the health status of the potential and actual post-holders can be assessed with regard to the significant hazards and risks. These hazards and risks should be based on the appropriate activity, process and/or operation risk assessment whereby all of the significant risks are identified, recorded and appropriately controlled. The list below is therefore not an exhaustive list because it is the risk assessment that details all significant risks that could arise out of or in connection with the work activity, but any others will be identified in the 'other' section.

<input type="checkbox"/> Provision of personal care on a regular basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Driving HGV or LGV for work
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular manual handling (which includes assisting, manoeuvring, pushing and pulling) of people (including pupils) or objects	<input type="checkbox"/> Any other frequent driving or prolonged driving at work activities (e.g. long journeys driving own private vehicle or WCC vehicle for work purposes)
<input type="checkbox"/> Working at height/ using ladders on a regular/ repetitive basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted postural change – prolonged sitting

<input type="checkbox"/> Lone working on a regular basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted postural change – prolonged standing
<input type="checkbox"/> Night work	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular/repetitive bending/ squatting/ kneeling/crouching
<input type="checkbox"/> Rotating shift work	<input type="checkbox"/> Manual cleaning/ domestic duties
<input type="checkbox"/> Working on/ or near a road	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular work outdoors
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant use of computers (display screen equipment)	<input type="checkbox"/> Work with vulnerable children or vulnerable adults
<input type="checkbox"/> Undertaking repetitive tasks	<input type="checkbox"/> Working with challenging behaviours
<input type="checkbox"/> Continual telephone use (call centres)	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular work with skin irritants/ allergens
<input type="checkbox"/> Work requiring hearing protection (exposure to noise above action levels)	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular work with respiratory irritants/ allergens (exposure to dust, fumes, chemicals, fibres)
<input type="checkbox"/> Work requiring respirators or masks	<input type="checkbox"/> Work with vibrating tools/ machinery
<input type="checkbox"/> Work involving food handling	<input type="checkbox"/> Work with waste, refuse
<input type="checkbox"/> Potential exposure to blood or bodily fluids	<input type="checkbox"/> Face-to-face contact with members of the public
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):	