Job profile

Job Title:	Strategy and Commissioning Manager – Our People
Directorate/Group:	Resources Group / Governance & Policy
Accountable to:	Assistant Director Governance & Policy
Politically restricted post	Yes
Grade	Tier 3 A

Part A - Generic job purpose and capabilities

You will play an active role as part of our senior leadership team working in partnership with our Delivery Managers to deliver our organisational outcomes. You will support the Assistant Director and Commissioning Managers in achieving Warwickshire County Council's (WCC's) vision and outcomes through integrated planning and the flexible use of resources. Report on delivery of outcomes to stakeholders including elected members and other council officers.

You will support the Assistant Director Governance & Policy in leading, developing and managing WCC's commissioning approach. You will ensure WCC only commission services and activities that contribute to Warwickshire's outcomes. You will ensure that activities that do not contribute to the strategic outcomes are decommissioned. You will ensure that our commissioning intentions are clearly defined, aligned to our new operating model and our Council Plan. You will develop and maintain good working relationships with our range of partners including the voluntary sector.

Strategy... the direction we will take to achieve our outcomes



Plan... what we will do to achieve the strategy



Commissioning...the process of how we will plan, purchase and monitor our services



Strategic Commissioning... the process for understanding, planning and delivering services to achieve the best outcomes



Operational Commissioning... the process for meeting need at an individual level or to a specific group



Delivery..providing services to our customers

Generic competencies for Strategy and Commissioning

Generic Capability	Descriptor
Strategic thinking & planning	 Identification of business requirements against need Formulating medium term (1-3 years) strategies and plans to meet demand Use of insight, best practice and research to inform commissioning intentions

- Define the required commissioning intentions and plans based on service* demand for 1-3 years.
- Contribute to the design of the 1-3 year delivery plans.
- Contribute to the development of policies to achieve the commissioning intentions.
- Ensure that insight, best practice, market research and trends are considered to improve the provision of services.
- Ensure the best use of resources to achieve the commissioning intentions.

Generic Capability	Descriptor
Innovation & change	 Focus on new ideas, improvement and innovation Problem solver

- Manage periodic review(s) of commissioned services to evaluate outcomes and performance in order to consider improvements required.
- Develop options appraisals to assess the most suitable means of delivering the commissioning intentions.
- Ensure the right provider is commissioned to achieve our objectives through a mixed economy of internal and external suppliers.
- Work in collaboration with the Service Managers and Commissioning Support Unit, to put in place frameworks to monitor and manage quality performance of commissioned services.

Generic Capability	Descriptor
Finance & commercial	 Effective budget setting and monitoring Contract negotiation and commercial partnership management Quality monitoring and measurement

- Allocate service(s) budgets in line with commissioning outcomes, including commercial and trading targets.
- Address through taking action where the performance of providers is not satisfactory.
- Contribute to the specific contract measurement framework.
- Contribute to the specific statutory, compliance, practice and performance.
- Support the Service Manager in contract set up and establishment.
- Manage the decommissioning of contracts where applicable.

Generic Capability	Descriptor
Influence & relationship management	 Collaborative working Relationship development and management Influence and shapes the market

- Build and maintain effective relationships with key stakeholder groups eg Senior Leadership, Strategy and Commissioning Managers, Service Managers, Members, Partners and Commercial providers.
- Ensure the appropriate consultation activities are undertaken and effectively managed.
- Play an active role in shaping and influencing the market.

Generic leadership competencies

Capability	Descriptor
People leadership	 Drives and motivates to maintain high performance Deals with performance issues

- Enable a high performance culture where innovation and creativity is encouraged and rewarded.
- Identify and develop the required capabilities of the team through effective talent management planning.
- Address performance issues within the service.

Capability	Descriptor
Management of resources & planning	 Effective budget management Monitors quality performance framework Works across organisational boundaries Effective service design

- Effective management of service budget and associated savings.
- Develop and manage a highly effective strategy and commissioning team/function.
- Identify the capacity of the strategy and commissioning team through effective workforce planning.
- Contribute to the WCC's 1-3 year medium term financial plan, including income targets where applicable.
- Manage the quality assurance framework for the team/service.
- Develop and implement integrated working across services of WCC.

Capability	Descriptor
Organisational leadership & resilience	 Implements organisational wide change Role model of modern working principles Focus on continuous improvement

- Communicate a clear vision of strategy and commissioning and its objectives to enable key stakeholders to understand and contribute to the context and direction of the service.
- Provide visible leadership and support teams through organisational change.
- Role model of modern ways of working.
- Act and operate corporately across WCC adopting a one council approach.
- Act as a positive role model for WCC's values and behaviours at all times.
- Represent the interests of the Council on external bodies and networks.
- Ensure adequate business continuity plans are in place.

Part B - Portfolio requirements Strategy and Commissioning Manager – Our People

Strategy and Commissioning responsibilities Statutory responsibilities	 Working in partnership with the Service Manager for Our People Solutions to deliver our organisational outcomes. Responsible for achieving our people vision and outcomes. Deliver the commissioning intentions and outcomes Monitor performance of delivery of the Our People outcomes and put interventions in place to address and issues HROD professional lead for the authority. Understand business issues by building relationships with internal and external customers. Diagnose and define effective and creative people solutions to address business issues. Responsibility for commissioning of all Our People delivery. Responsibility for development of Our People Plan. Responsibility for development of Our Talent Management Programme. Professional HROD lead for the transformation programme. Responsible for developing our traded growth strategy.
(if applicable)	
Specific experience	 Significant experience of working at a senior level in Local Authority or a similar organisation Strong leadership and management skills and experience of matrix management Experience of developing and implementing complex workforce transformation programmes and strategies. Evidence of designing and delivering innovative people solutions in order to resolve business issues Significant experience of managing relationships with internal and external customers. Significant commissioning experience Knowledge of HR legislation and policy Evidence and experience of leading successful change programmes
Specific qualifications/registration	Fellow member of CIPD Educated to degree level or relevant experience
Budget responsibility	TBC

FTE responsibility (line management)	3 direct reports
Key stakeholder relationships	Corporate Board Assistant Directors Members Service Manager – People Solutions Relationship management with commissioned providers (internal and external) of the service provision.

WCC values and behaviours

The post holder must be able to demonstrate that they role model the WCC values and behaviours.

Our Values - The Warwickshire DNA



Our Behaviours

