PERSON SPECIFICATION

Post title: Landscape Development Manager Directorate: Conservation & Communities

Grade: 6



Requirements & Criteria	Essential/ Desirable	Method of Assessment
Education/Training/Qualifications		
Degree or equivalent in relevant subject (e.g. Environmental Land Management)	E	Application Form
Knowledge/Experience		
Knowledge and understanding of farming, land management and natural/heritage conservation and links to sustainable economies and funding streams	E	Application Form/ Interview
Significant experience of providing advice to farmers relating to business resilience and profitability, agrienvironment schemes, funding and livestock management	E	Application Form/ Interview
Experience of working together with farmers and landowners to achieve positive business and environmental outcomes	E	Application Form/ Interview
Significant experience of successfully developing and delivering multi objective projects and demonstrable project management skills	E	Application Form/ Interview
Proven relevant experience of developing and co- ordinating the delivery of rural land/heritage-based courses and training	E	Application Form/ Interview
Experience of line management, including appraisals and performance management	Е	Application Form/ Interview
Experience of successfully communicating agricultural and environmental messages to a wide variety of audiences through a range of media	E	Application Form/ Interview
Able to demonstrate experience of budget management, managing contractors and procurement processes	E	Application Form/ Interview
Track record of securing grant funding	D	Application Form/ Interview
Skills/Abilities		
Excellent oral, written and interpersonal communication skills	E	Application Form/ Interview
Good negotiation skills and ability to work with a range of people	E	
Excellent organisational skills and the ability to process information accurately	E	Application Form/ Interview
Working knowledge of Microsoft Office applications and good general ICT skills	E	Application Form/ Interview
Able to work independently as well as part of a team	E	Application Form/ Interview
Able to manage own workload and time	E	Application Form/ Interview
Report writing and presentation skills	D	Application Form/ Interview
Other Requirements		

A commitment to continuous personal and professional	E	Application
development		Form/ Interview
Willingness and ability to travel as required within	E	Application
Dartmoor National Park and surrounding area to		Form/ Interview
undertake essential elements of the job		
Subject to occupational health approval, is able to meet	Е	Occupational
the physical demands of the post		Health check
Flexibility and willingness to work occasional evenings and	Е	Application
weekends		Form/ Interview

Competency Requirements (refer to Competency Framework)

Communication & Interpersonal Skills (Level 3)

- Recognises the importance of regular team meetings and 1:1s.
- Manages meetings effectively using clear, confident and open communication.
- Facilitates discussion and is able to stimulate debate in a positive manner.
- Understands how to persuade, influence and negotiate with others where there are conflicting personal or organisational agendas.
- Presents ideas, proposals or policies verbally or in writing in a concise and compelling manner.
- Translates complex issues into straightforward arguments and concepts, in order to help others gain a better understanding.
- Ensures that all staff are included in communications, paying particular attention to reach out to non-office based staff.

Development of Self and Others (Level 2)

- Develop coaching and mentoring skills in order to support others.
- Completes appraisals and appraisal reviews for direct reports, effectively and on time.
- Completes a full and timely induction for new members of team.
- Positively seeks to develop and improve own management skills and competencies.
- Gives prompt, honest and constructive feedback to others, in an appropriate manner
- Recognises and responds positively to good performance and behaviours.
- Agrees what is expected of others and addresses under performance issues when they arise.
- Actively reviews own Personal Development Plan and addresses any gaps in knowledge and skills without prompting.

Strategic Awareness (Level 2)

- Is clear on the key priorities for DNPA and strives to achieve them.
- Has a clear understanding of the organisational policies and procedures and works within these.
- Understands the role of the Members in relation to the work of DNPA.
- Sets priorities and demanding but achievable objectives for others.
- Supports others to understand standards expected of them and monitors progress against objectives.
- Responds to changing priorities; re-prioritising own workload and that of others as required.
- Encourages a constructive response to change in others through a positive and collaborative attitude.

Working Effectively (Level 3)

 Manages and co-ordinates staff, time and budget to ensure the team are able to deliver their service effectively.

- Demonstrates sound financial management skills, prioritises spending, and encourages others to be resourceful.
- Identifies opportunities to minimise duplication of effort or resources in planning and executing work plans.
- Liaises with other Service heads to promote cross-Directorate working, and gain a wider understanding of cross-functional project work.
- Considers opportunities for volunteers to contribute to, or enhance the work of the service / team.
- Identifies opportunities for making savings or generating income through commercial routes.
- Encourages time to think

 to reflect on and improve working practices.

Decision Making and Problem Solving (Level 3)

- Responds quickly and decisively to a crisis or to problems that impact on others, by taking action and making decisions that are impartial and based on all available evidence.
- Acts professionally by supporting management in implementing, communicating and promoting decisions that have been made on behalf of the Authority, even when they may not personally agree.
- Thinks creatively to solve problems; embracing new ideas, ways of working, and taking managed risks in order to move forward.
- Recognises when decisions need to be taken that may be unpopular, and is able to separate emotion to ensure effective decisions are made.

Continuous Improvement (Level 2)

- Constructively challenges the status guo and seeks better alternatives if needed.
- Shows an awareness of best practice and alternative methods of work; evaluates them and adapts them for DNPA use where appropriate.
- Ensure that the knowledge and understanding of how changes will be made have been fully communicated and understood.
- Acknowledges ideas for improvements and suggestions for change and provides feedback on why ideas may or may not be adopted.
- Supports the actions identified in the Developing Team Dartmoor ODS, to continually find ways of improving.

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