Thurston Parish Council

Person Specification

Senior Detached Youth Worker

Education and Qualifications	Level 2 Youth and Community work - desirable - but if not held training will be provided to enable the candidate to achieve this. If this qualification is not held already it is essential that the training is undertaken. (essential)
Skills, knowledge and	Desirable - Experience of promoting and developing personal, social and educational youth work programmes and opportunities with and for young people.
experience	Essential - Knowledge and understanding of the issues affecting young people's lives and implementing appropriate youth work programmes.
	Desirable - Experience of leading a youth work team, including performance management of staff.
	Desirable - Knowledge of and experience of developing, managing and delivering detached youth work with young people.
	Desirable - Experience of devising appropriate strategies to engage vulnerable or disadvantaged young people in detached youth work.
	Essential - A good knowledge of the issues facing young people.
	Essential - Experience of working face to face with young people in a variety of settings.
	Essential - Ability to work with staff and young people to organise programmed youth activities and projects for young people.
	Essential - Able to develop effective working relationships with young people and adults in a variety of settings.
	Essential - An understanding of safeguarding and child protection legislation, policy and practice.
	Essential - The ability to communicate effectively with a wide range of people including young people, volunteers and other organisations.
	Essential - High personal integrity and motivation.
	Essential - Commitment to continuous personal development.
	Essential - Respect for the community.
	Essential - Willingness to work flexibly to ensure service continuity.

Key Responsibilities of Role	
To lead on and provide informal social education opportunities through detached youth work with young people both individually and in groups in Thurston.	
To ensure appropriate risk assessments, guidelines and procedures for detached work are in place and co ensure detached workers are property resourced and trained to undertake the work.	
To identify, target and work directly with young people to develop their social education by providing programmes of actives, services and facilities.	
To assist with service development by contributing to planning, delivery and monitoring of local provisions.	
To manage volunteers in providing excellent detached youth work in Thurston.	
To manage resources for detached work and to ensure project evaluation and monitoring takes place in accordance with Thurston Detached Youth Work Project and Thurston Parish Council criteria.	
Working Relationships	
Key internal working relationships are with:	
Colleagues and service users	
Thurston Parish Council	
Key External working relationships are with:	
Young people and residents in the community	
Local Agencies	