Job Title: Visitor Engagement Assistant

Grade: 2

Our Vision

A county where big ambitions, great connections and greener living give everyone the opportunity to prosper, be healthy and happy

Our Outcomes

Everyone in Staffordshire will:

* Have access to more good jobs and share the benefit of economic growth
* Be healthier and more independent for longer
* Feel safer, happier and more supported in their community

Our Values

Our People Strategy sets out what we all need to do to make Staffordshire County Council a great place to work, where people are supported to develop, the Strategy to ensure that the focus is on what is important to the organisation and the people it serves:

* Ambitious – We are ambitious for our communities and citizens
* Courageous – We recognise our challenges and are prepared to make
courageous decisions
* Empowering – We empower and support our people by giving them
the opportunity to do their jobs well.

About the Service

Based in the Families and Communities Directorate, Environment & Countryside is responsible for the management and development of Staffordshire County Council’s country parks and green spaces, 4500km of statutory public rights of way and the associated definitive map, the provision of high-quality environmental advice across SCC functions and externally, the conservation of Staffordshire’s natural and historic environment, rural development and the management of environmental data and spatial information. The service hosts the Cannock Chase AONB Partnership and is involved with other strategic environmental partnerships across the county.

Reporting Relationships

Responsible to: Visitor Engagement Officer/Assistant Cannock Chase Site Manager

Work pattern: The countryside service operates seven days a week, 365 days a year; you will be required to work 5 days per week with two (generally consecutive) rest days or if part time your hours may include weekends; your work pattern may vary according to business needs

Key Accountabilities:

1. Led by the Visitor Engagement Officer/Assistant Cannock Chase Site Manager, support the operation of Chasewater Innovation Centre/Cannock Chase Visitor Centre and input to other visitor centres and facilities across the countryside estate.

2. Partner volunteers to support the operation of the centres and visitor engagement activities.

3. Provide a welcoming reception to the centres and provide advice, assistance and information to visitors in a presentable state.

4. Within the appropriate Centres, complete basic safety checks and report and concerns to the Visitor Engagement Officer/Assistant Cannock Chase Site Manager.

5. Working with other site staff, support activities to raise awareness of the importance of the sites and their special qualities, and how people can get involved in their care and conservation.

6. Support the administration of the centres and visitor activities including cash handling and provide support to wider service functions as required.

7. Any other duties that may be required commensurate with the nature and grade of the post.

Professional Accountabilities:

The post holder is required to contribute to the achievement of the Council objectives through:

**Financial Management**

Personal accountability for delivering services efficiently, effectively, within budget and to implement any approved savings and investment allocated to the service.

**People Management**

Engaging with People Management policies and processes

**Equalities**

Ensuring that all work is completed with a commitment to equality and anti-discriminatory practice, as a minimum to standards required by legislation.

**Climate Change**

Delivering energy conservation practices in line with the Council’s climate change strategy.

**Health and Safety**

Ensuring a work environment that protects people’s health and safety and that promotes welfare, and which is in accordance with the Council’s Health & Safety policy.

**Safeguarding**

Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of vulnerable groups.

The content of this Job Description and Person Specification will be reviewed on a regular basis.

**Special Requirements**

Standard hours of work are 37 hours per week worked in 5 days. The post holder may be required to work on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays. Some evening work may also be necessary at certain times of the year. Rest days in mid-week are currently allowed in lieu. The post holder will be paid at plain time rate in addition to normal pay for hours worked on Bank Holidays, extra statutory or concessionary holidays granted by the County Council.

The service operates across Staffordshire and the post holder may be required to work at any site in the county according to business need. The post holder will be required to undertake emergency duties out of normal working hours as necessary.

This post is subject to DBS.

**Person Specification**  A = Assessed at Application

I = Assessed at Interview

T = Assessed through Test

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| **Minimum Criteria for Disability ConfidentScheme \*** | **Criteria** | **Measured by** |
| **employer_small** | **Qualifications*** Two GCSE’s or equivalent including English and Maths (essential)
* First aid certificate (desirable)
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| **employer_smallemployer_small****employer_small****employer_smallemployer_small****employer_small** | **Knowledge and Experience*** Experience of working in visitor or reception facilities (essential)
* Experience of working with the public and providing information (essential)
* Experience of supporting the running of events and activities (essential)
* Experience of producing basic visitor information (essential)
* Experience of health and safety procedures (essential)
* Cash handling experience (desirable)
* Knowledge and experience of using general IT packages (essential)
* Data management experience (desirable)
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| **employer_smallemployer_smallemployer_small** | **Skills*** Excellent interpersonal skills (essential)
* Good verbal and written communication skills with numeracy, literacy and interpretive skills (essential)
* Calm, organised and flexible approach (essential)
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