

Role Title	Victims Champion
Job Family	Community Safety and Resilience
Competency Level	Principal Officer
Pay Range / Scale	£44,331 - £47,532 PO3 Full time, Fixed term

Purpose

To develop and deliver specialist support/advice for a defined service area. To ensure relevant legislation, regulations and policies are complied with.

Generic Accountabilities	End Results/ Outcomes
Provide advice and make	Expert advice, information, interpretation and support are
recommendations based on up	provided on the full range of technical / professional
to date knowledge and analysis /	issues within the area of responsibility.
evaluation of information.	·
Manage escalated or complex	Issues are managed through to a satisfactory conclusion.
customer issues within the	
relevant area.	Risk to the Council is minimised.
Contribute to the development of	Strategic and operational input is provided to wider
service plans to meet strategic	business planning and development.
business goals.	
	Customer needs are identified.
	Services meet legislative and policy requirements.
Research developments in	Relevant information / data are managed efficiently and
relevant area. Collate process	accurately.
and analyse information / data.	
Translate outputs into advisory	Accurate and relevant information / reports /
reports / documents / actions as	documentation are produced.
appropriate.	
	Trends and issues are identified and prioritised.
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	Statutory and procedural obligations are fulfilled.
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	Management decision making is supported.
Lead on the development,	Changes to systems, policies and / or procedures are
implementation, maintenance	identified and recommended.
and management of systems,	
policies, procedures and / or	All updates, amendments, developments are tested and
standards within area of	approved prior to delivery.
responsibility.	
	Customers receive prompt, accurate policy / procedural
	updates.
	Service standards are improved.
Work closely with others to	Identifies gaps in service provision/highlight policy issues
support/Manage the	and makes recommendations to resolve the issues.
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Agreed improvements are developed, delivered and evaluated.
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Issues and recommendations are brought to the attention of senior managers.
Benchmark against best practice authorities and center of excellence.
Reports are prepared, distributed / presented to the appropriate committee/ to the required standards and timescales.
Evidence based recommendations are made.
Projects are delivered to agreed specification, timescales and budgets.
Change initiatives are successfully integrated and implemented across all impacted service areas.
Value for money is achieved.
Ongoing savings secured.
Colleagues are supported.
Required information is provided.
All policies and procedures are complied with.
Work is carried out in a way that is safe and without risks to health.

Job Specific Accountabilities:

Work and collaborate with partner agencies to provide the best possible service and support to high-risk, vulnerable victims of Hate crime and anti-social behaviour.

Provide one to one support to high-risk victims and witnesses of Hate crime and antisocial behaviour, determine the most appropriate method of offering support and co-ordinate or commission additional support as necessary.



Highlight victim and witness concerns in the delivery of Hate crime and ASB services and providing residents with a channel for complaint if effective action is not taken by local agencies through existing provisions.

Lead on the coordination of Anti-Social Behaviour Risk Assessment Conference (ASBRAC) meetings for high-risk Hate crime and ASB cases; and ASB Case Reviews.

Promote the ASBRAC and ASB Case Review purpose to increase referrals, receiving new referrals, reviewing risk and risk assessments, putting together agendas, minute taking, recording actions, and assigning to agencies, following up on actions through the case management system and collating information for reports.

Lead and coordinate the Cuckooing risk panel in partnership with the Police.

Arrange representation in meetings of appropriate local groups/forums

Advocate on behalf of victims and witnesses at strategic, operational and tactical partnership meetings.

Undertake outreach activities to raise awareness of support available for victims of antisocial behaviour.

Nature of Contacts

Typically involves Heads of Service, and Senior Managers across the authority, and external agencies and organisations providing advice regarding issues affecting victims of Hate crime and Anti-Social Behaviour.

Direct contact with members of the public.

Develop sensitivity, persuasiveness, and negotiation and assertiveness skills to communicate with diverse audiences in emotive circumstances. Deal with people at all levels confidently, sensitively and diplomatically.

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Procedural Context

Act within guidelines and standard procedures with discretion to allocate or otherwise organise work to meet service delivery requirements. Works within laid down procedures but needs to deal with day-today problems without always referring to others.

Decisions will be made based on Council procedures.

Occasionally the post will be expected to work from other locations



Key Facts and Figures

May need to attend evening and weekend meetings and events as required. Enhanced DBS Clearance Will be required to work all year round

Resourcing

Budget Responsibilities: Delegated responsibility for project costs of up to £20k Supervisory Responsibilities: Nil Direct matric management of other staff within Community Safety and Resilience

Knowledge, Skills and Experience

Understanding of key legislation around crime, anti-social behaviour, Waltham Forest Community Safety priorities.

Knowledge of issues surrounding crime, community safety and anti-social behaviour and the effects on individuals

An understanding of how agencies work in partnership and how to overcome some of the barriers which may be experienced.

An understanding of multi-agency panels, information sharing and data protection

Experience of working directly with clients or service users in a statutory, voluntary, social or community work setting.

Experience of partnership or multi-agency work to achieve a shared objective.

Experience of minute taking, writing actions producing reports.

Experience of working in Community Safety or equivalent sector.

Ability to work without direct supervision, prioritise work and deal with competing or conflicting demands / needs and interests in an organised and methodical manner.

Ability to communicate sensitively and effectively both verbally and in writing with a wide range of people.

Demonstrate empathy and control over own emotions.

Gather, analyse and use information and evidence from different sources, solve and resolve problems.

Interpersonal skills appropriate to the support of people in crisis and ability to build strong relationships quickly.



Indicative Qualifications
Degree or equivalent or vocational qualification in relevant subject or area
Evidence of Continuous Professional Development

The above profile is intended to describe the general nature and level of work performed by employees in this role. It is not intended to be a detailed list of all duties and responsibilities which may be required. This role profile will be supplemented and further defined by annual objectives, which will be developed in conjunction with the post holder. It will be subject to regular review and the Council reserves the right to amend or add to the accountabilities listed.