## **PETERBOROUGH**



## **Person Specification**

| JOB TITLE: | Educational Psychologist                      | POST NO:      | 015282, 014416 and 004461        |
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| GRADE:     | Soulbury Scale A 3-8, plus up to 3 SPA points | DEPARTMENT:   | Children Services –<br>Education |
| HOURS:     | 37  |               |                                  |
| DIVISION:  | Educational Psychology                        | DIRECTOR:     | Carrie Traill                    |
| DATE:      | November 2024                                 | COMPLETED BY: | Alison Tolson                    |

| ATTRIBUTES           | ESSENTIAL CRITERIA  | DESIRABLE CRITERIA  |
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| KNOWLEDGE            | <ul> <li>A sound knowledge of the theoretical frameworks underpinning psychological approaches and their application. (A &amp; I)</li> <li>A sound knowledge of child development. (A &amp; I)</li> <li>A working knowledge of relevant legislation particularly as it relates to the Code of Practice 2014 and the Children and Families Act 2014. (I)</li> <li>A sound knowledge of issues related to safeguarding.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>A good understanding of psychological theory and its applications.</li> <li>A sound knowledge and understanding of emotional and psychological well-being.</li> <li>Expertise in using a wide range of assessment techniques and interventions.</li> </ul> |
| SKILLS AND ABILITIES | <ul> <li>Excellent written and verbal communication skills. (A,I &amp; W)</li> <li>The ability to maintain professional boundaries and confidentiality. (A)</li> <li>The ability to work with other disciplines and agencies. (A)</li> <li>The ability to work productively with others in a small team. (A &amp; I)</li> <li>The ability to formulate and investigate hypotheses and develop appropriate interventions. (A &amp; I)</li> <li>The ability to meet deadlines. (A)</li> <li>The ability to make positive use of professional supervision. (I)</li> <li>The ability to elicit the views of children and young people effectively. (A &amp; I)</li> <li>The ability to work with parents and carers in difficult situations. (I)</li> <li>To apply problem-solving frameworks to complex situations. (A &amp; I)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>The ability to deliver presentations well. (I &amp; P)</li> <li>The ability to run group interventions. (A)</li> </ul>   |
| EXPERIENCE           | Evidence of effective practice as an<br>Educational Psychologist, or as a<br>trainee Educational Psychologist,  | Evidence of working in diverse cultural environments. (A & I)   |

|                           | working in schools and settings. (A & I)  Experience of working in a multidisciplinary/multi-agency working/integrated working. (A & I)  Experience of developing training   |
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| QUALIFICATIONS            | <ul> <li>materials. (A &amp; I)</li> <li>A first degree in Psychology, or its equivalent, as recognised by the</li> </ul>  |
|                           | British Psychological Society. (A)  Professional training as an Educational Psychologist as recognised by the British Psychological Society (A) OR Expected completion of a recognised training programme in Educational Psychology.  Practising Educational Psychologist to be HCPC registered. (A) |
| PERSONAL<br>CIRCUMSTANCES | <ul> <li>A clean driving licence.</li> <li>The use of a road worthy car.</li> <li>Note that electric pool cars can be booked for use</li> <li>Peterborough City Council also offer a leased car scheme</li> </ul>  |
| EQUALITY                  | Candidates must demonstrate understanding of, acceptance and commitment to the principles underlying equal opportunities. (A & I)  |
| CUSTOMER CARE             | Knowledge and understanding of effective customer care. (A & I)  |

At the end of each criteria the following codes are used to indicate how the criteria will be assessed:

A = Application

I = Interview

P = Presentation