Job Pack

Works Delivery Manager





Location

Thank you for taking the time to look at the details of this post.

Located in the heart of the Sussex countryside and one of the principal towns of the South Downs National Park Lewes offers the best of town and country. It is no surprise that the District is considered among the most desirable places to live and work in the UK.

Lewes town is one of the jewels of the South Downs National Park and the District also possesses many picturesque towns and villages, all with their own unique character.

Whilst nearby Eastbourne is a resort town on England's southeast coast. On the seafront are Victorian hotels, the 19th-century Eastbourne Pier and a 1930s bandstand. Discover a wide range of shops in Eastbourne from high street shopping at The Beacon to the quaint Victorian shopping streets of Little Chelsea, and the boutiques in the Enterprise Centre.

One of the most attractive aspects of living and working in the Lewes and Eastbourne area is the quality of life it has to offer. It is a truly exceptional location. Make the most of the area by enjoying a wide range of activities including country walks, water sports and much more.

Our offices in Lewes and Eastbourne are located close to Train Stations with direct connections to the coast and London. However, the Council provide all the necessary IT and infrastructure to enable home working and maintain a good work life balance

"The best of town, country and coast"

We are able to offer our staff a range of benefits and access to discounts as follows:

- Membership at local leisure centres who are part of Wave Leisure across the District and Borough and at the Sovereign Centre in Eastbourne.
- Kaarp Benefits which are only available to Local Government employees and includes between 3 and 4.5% savings at supermarkets when purchasing a gift card as well as savings on attractions and discounts on many other things.
- Chorus Workplace Savings Scheme
- Boundless which includes up to 10% off high-street and supermarket goods through discounted pre-paid shopping cards.
- CSSC which includes free entry to a number of tourist attractions and a free tastecard as well as discounted cinema visits and 4% saving on supermarket shopping through pre-paid shopping cards.
- Public Sector Discounts by paying £9.99 for a Black Card £2.99 staff are able to access discounts such as 2.5% cashback – ASDA, 3.5% cashback – Sainsbury's, Waitrose and M&S, 4.5% cashback on B&Q and Primark and 5% cashback – Boots, Carpetright, Clarks, feelunique, Halfords, Harvester, John Lewis, National Express, New Look, River Island, Body Shop, Nike, The White Company, The Works, Waterstones, Wilko etc.
- Easit the Councils have joined the Queens Award winning easitNETWORK group through which we hope to influence travel behaviour in the area by providing a full range of transport options to encourage staff to adopt more sustainable commuting habits. EasitNETWORK is a social enterprise, not for profit organisation that is all about sustainable travel. Our staff can benefit from many transport discounts including 15% discount on Southern rail journeys across the network (except central London zones 1,2,+ 3); including peak time travel; 10% discount at Halfords on all bikes, cycling accessories, servicing and parts; 15% discounts on monthly and annual bike insurance and 25% discount on new, electric, folding Beat Bikes.
- Eyesight tests vouchers are available for all drivers and computer users which include a discount off selected glasses and when glasses are required solely for VDU use.
- Vouchers for fully funded flu vaccinations through Boots which staff can redeem, arrange and book at a participating Boots Pharmacy of their choice.
- Cyclescheme The UK's leading provider of the cycle to work scheme and the founding member of the Cycle to Work Alliance. It enables our staff to get a bike tax-free, saving between 25-39%. Participants can choose from over 2,000 retailers and enjoy the ability to shop in-store or online.

- We also understand that balancing everyday life together with the requirements of work and home can create pressures for all of us. To support our staff in achieving this balance we have an Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) in place. Our EAP is currently provided by Health Assured an independent external organisation who work to a robust professional code of strict confidentiality.
- They offer both emotional and practical support to our staff when they feel they need it. They also have qualified legal advisors who will assist with any legal matters. They will provide advice and guidance on matters such as writing a will, tenancy and housing concerns, divorce procedures, boundary disputes, probate costs, motoring issues, property and partnership rights and immigration information.
- Our EAP is available 24/7, 365 days and year. As part of this service we are also able to offer staff access to an app where they can find useful articles and webinars alongside an enhanced set of wellbeing tools and engaging features to support wellbeing and wellness.
- Within the Councils we have a number of staff trained to provide 'first aid' to staff experiencing mental health issues. Mental Health first aiders are trained to listen, reassure and respond, even in a crisis – and even potentially stop a crisis from happening.
- They are able to empower others to access the support they might need for successful management of symptoms. This could include self-help books or websites, accessing services via their GP, the EAP, other support groups and more.

Job Description

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Post Title	Works Delivery Manager
Department	Property & Development
Division	Housing Property Services
Grade / Salary	Band G
Reports to	Head of Housing Property Services
Direct Reports	Surveying Services Manager x 2
Date prepared	June 2024

Job Purpose

To lead and deliver an efficient, cost effective and customer focused property works service to residents across Eastbourne Borough & Lewes District.

To identify and implement measures that achieves continuous improvement for the repairs service across the councils.

Key Tasks

- Manage repair programmes including responsive repairs, planned routine repairs, capital investment works, aids and adaptations, repairs to vacant property, door entry systems, stair-lifts and disabled lifting equipment.
- Work with the Asset Manager to plan, develop and co-ordinate delivery of repair programmes between the teams.
- Maintain performance indicators for monitoring key activities across all work streams including resident satisfaction and complaints.
- Manage performance of the supply chain, particularly with regard to meeting target response times, time to complete work to vacant property, average repair costs, variations to orders, resolution of complaints and customer satisfaction.
- Utilise performance information to develop costed business plans and for achieving continuous improvement through structured service improvement plans.
- Manage and control expenditure for each work stream against their respective budgets and reset budgets annually to reflect objectives in the business plan and the current operating environment.

- Ensure the procedures for controlling possession and security of keys is reviewed regularly so they are fit for purpose.
- Manage all aspects of recruitment, development, supervision and management of staff within the property works team.
- Maintain systems for ordering and payments ensuring supply chain partners are paid in accordance with the terms of contracts. Investigate and resolve disputes quickly and in accordance with the provisions set out in contracts.
- Act as the principal contract administrator ensuring supply chain contracts are proactively and robustly managed to ensure performance targets are achieved and the councils' interests are protected at all times.
- Ensure repair programmes and individual projects are delivered on time, within budget and to quality standards.
- Maintain systems to quality control works and to ensure the charges made by supply chain partners are within the terms of contracts.
- Ensure that all complaints are fully investigated and responded to within response times outlined within the Corporate Complaints Policy and Procedure.
- Investigate and respond to enquiries by members of parliament, and by local councillors.
- Gather and present information required to respond to Freedom of Information Requests.
- Work with others in the Housing Property Services management team in developing and delivering improvements to the way customers access the repair service and how they receive repair services through the supply chain.
- Manage health and safety within the organisation's Health and Safety Policy and arrangements. Monitor compliance with CDM, Asbestos Regulations, Health and Safety at Work Act and other safety legislation relevant to the scope of these operations.
- Commission, manage and supervise external professional services consultants and specialist contractors as required and in accordance with the organisation's Contract Procedure Rules.
- Lead on the investigation and resolution of claims e.g. disrepair and personal injury. Liaise with insurers and the Councils' insurance officers to ensure all claims are handled promptly and professionally.

• Undertake any other duties as required by the Head of Housing Property Services.

Corporate Accountabilities

- To promote equality of opportunity in service delivery in line with strategic commitment and corporate policies.
- To promote a culture that is supportive of the Councils' purpose, aims and values, and to take all reasonable steps to maintain good employee relations
- Staff are encouraged to participate fully in promoting a safety culture to protect the safety and health of themselves, colleagues and other people affected by the Council's activities
- To understand and apply the council's Data Protection and Data Quality policy and procedures
- Deputise for Manager and cover absence of other team Managers as appropriate.
- Any other duties commensurate with the nature of the post.
- You will be required to support the Councils' corporate priorities and to ensure business continuity e.g. emergency response, elections, deployment to critical services.
- To work within the councils' Management and Core Competencies Frameworks. Central to the delivery of the role are the values and behaviours set out below. These are shared by all employees and applied to everything we do. The bullet points for each competency are examples of performance required:

Management Competencies

Leadership	 Inspires and engenders commitment in others. Leads from the front and by example. Presents a united and corporate view.
Managing and Developing Performance	 Coaches and supports individuals and teams to perform at their best, motivating and developing them to achieve high performance.
Managing Resources	Ensures the council's priorities are achieved through planned action programmes.

	 Makes best use of resources, ensuring value for money.
Managing Change	 Embraces, facilitates, implements and manages change to improve and develop services.

Core Competencies

Sharing the Vision – Shaping the Future	 Understands the Council's purpose, goals, objectives and values, and is willing to behave consistently with them. Knows the strategic direction of the Council and acts in support of it.
Communicating Well	 Contributes to and participates in an organisation where high quality information flows smoothly both internally and externally. Works positively to gain understanding from others.
Driving Improvement, Performance and Results	 Takes responsibility and ownership for decisions, actions and results. Takes actions to improve skills, knowledge and level of contribution. Seeks and delivers high standards for self, team and Council.
Self Management – self motivated and professional	 Is organised and uses time and technology efficiently. Adopts a flexible approach to change.
Delivering for our Customers	 Demonstrates a desire to identify and give priority to meeting the needs of internal and external customers, generating high levels of customer satisfaction.
Working Together	 Actively contributes to team working, sharing information, valuing the input of others. Works cooperatively and is committed to building productive, positive relationships. Demonstrates commitment to achieving overall team objectives.

This job description sets out the duties of the post at the time it was drawn up. Such details will vary from time to time without changing the general character of the duties or the level of responsibility involved.

PERSON SPECIFICATION FOR WORKS DELIVERY MANAGER

QUALIFICATIONS

Essential	Desirable
 Relevant professional qualification or working towards a relevant qualification. 	 Membership of a relevant professional body.

TRAINING

SKILLS & ABILITIES

EssentialAble to manage and motivate a team	 Desirable Proficient in MS Project Proficient in MS Powerpoint
 Good communication both oral and written Proficient in the use of property management IT systems Able to understand and analyse management accounts and key performance data Able to diagnose defects in buildings and specify repairs Able to estimate costs and scrutinise charges 	

KNOWLEDGE

Essential	Desirable
Building pathology	Equality and diversityHR policies and procedures

 Repairs responsibilities in tenancies and leases Working knowledge of health and safety legislation including CDM Working knowledge of forms of contract used for repairs Working knowledge of the Decent Homes Standard Working knowledge of section 20 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1985 and consultation processes with leaseholders Knowledge of the regulatory frameworks relevant to the role 	The law on disrepair

EXPERIENCE

 Essential Significant experience	 Desirable Experience of Arms Length
undertaking a similar role Experience of managing a multi-	Management Organisations
disciplinary team Managing customer relationships	(ALMOs) or Registered Social
and expectations Performance management of	Landlords (RSLs). Working in multiple locations Measured term contracts Schedules of rates and tendering
supply chains Producing reports for executive	processes Working with consultative groups
 Performance management of	 Schedules of rates and tendering
supply chains	processes
 Dispute resolution and complaints handling Service improvement plans and business planning. 	

PHYSICAL, LEGAL AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Essential	Desirable
 Willingness to work within the councils' Management and Core competency frameworks An engaging, enthusiastic and positive manner with a strong "can do" approach 	

 Commitment to delivering improving services to a wide customer base Adopts flexible approach to deliver the requirements of the job Ability to climb ladders and scaffolding Ability to travel around the borough and district Able to attend occasional evening meetings

All staff must be prepared to have an understanding of the Equal Opportunities, Customer Care and Health and Safety policies. Managers in particular, must have a commitment to implement and abide by these policies.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Lewes District and Eastbourne Borough Councils have been on a transformational journey to fully integrate services. This has involved integrating staff teams, processes and systems whilst still retaining sovereignty of the individual councils.

The employer will be Eastbourne Borough Council.

Duration

This is a permanent contract.

Conditions of Service

The conditions of service for this post are for the National Joint Council (NJC) for Local Government Services. The post is graded Band G.

Salary

The spinal column points (SCP) for the post are as follows:

SCP 39	£48,710	SCP 44	£53,880	SCP 49	£59,382
SCP 40	£49,764	SCP 45	£54,968	SCP 50	£60,488
SCP 41	£50,788	SCP 46	£56,074		
SCP 42	£51,802	SCP 47	£57,183		
SCP 43	£52,805	SCP 48	£58,284		

Hours

The hours for this post are 37 a week. These will be worked within operational requirements. Actual starting and finishing times will be agreed with your manager. Within these boundaries the Council operates a flexitime scheme for all but Heads of Service. Details will be supplied to the successful candidate upon appointment.

Incident Liaison Officer

As part of the duties of this role, you may be asked to become an Incident Liaison Officer for the Council under its Civil Contingency responsibilities. This work involves taking the emergency phone for up to 4 weeks each year and being available to respond to a serious multi agency incident out of hours during the rostered weeks. You may also be asked to become a Rest Centre Manager which involves managing short-term shelter for people who are temporarily displaced from their home as a result of an emergency.

Place of Work

Your normal place of work will be from home, however you will be required to attend the offices at either Eastbourne or Lewes, or such other places within the boundaries of Lewes District and Eastbourne Borough as may be reasonably required.

In particular, you will be required to:

- Budget for and cover the costs of all expenses incurred (including travel costs) to attend Team Meetings or Events, as well as for training at any of the Councils' sites.
- Budget for and allocate time to travel to appointments in the Councils boundaries where required. For example, visits that need to be performed as part of your role and cannot reasonably or appropriately be carried out remotely.
- Budget for and cover all postage costs (including return postage from Councils sites to your home) for all IT and other work equipment, when this needs to be replaced or updated. This includes but is not limited to, your work phone/headset and your laptop, such as for updates to software that need your laptop onsite connected to the LAN.
- Continue to participate in all meetings as reasonably required, such as 121 meetings, team meetings, attendance management meetings, or consultations on any proposed changes, such as restructures. Where possible and appropriate, these meetings will be conducted remotely but where it is not possible or it is deemed inappropriate for the meeting to be conducted remotely, you will be required to cover all expenses incurred (including travel) for your attendance at said meetings.

Probationary Period

All posts are subject to a six months' probationary period where your suitability for the post will be assessed. During this time your progress will be reviewed and discussed with you at regular intervals.

Casual User Car Mileage

You will be entitled to mileage as a casual user on official business. This mileage is reviewed annually.

Annual Leave

The leave year runs from 1 April to 31 March and entitlement varies with length of service. The current minimum entitlement is 26 days. This increases to 30 days in the leave year following completion of five years' service. Subject to the demands of the post, you will normally receive additional paid leave on each Public Holiday.

An employee who starts part way through the year will receive a proportion of the basic holiday entitlement. For operational reasons some Service Areas have to restrict the maximum amount of holiday taken at any one time and its timing in the year. Holiday commitments entered into before taking up an appointment will be honoured wherever possible.

Notice Period

The contract of employment applicable to this post will specify a minimum period of three calendar months, to be given by either side.

Pension

We provide membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) to employees aged under 75 who have a contract of employment that is for at least 3 months. The LGPS is a qualifying pension scheme, which means it meets or exceeds the government's standards.

All employees are automatically entered into the Local Government Pension Scheme unless they choose to make alternative provision for pension. Scheme members contribute the percentage of salary as set out in the table below. We will also make an employer's contribution to the scheme.

The contribution bands with effect from 01 April 2023 are:

Pay Range	Contribution	
Up to £16,500	5.50%	
£16,501 to £25,900	5.80%	
£25,901 to £42,100	6.50%	
£42,101 to £53,300	6.80%	
£53,301 to £74,700	8.50%	
£74,701 to £105,900	9.90%	
£105,901 - £124,800	10.50%	
£124,801 - £187,200	11.40%	
£187,201 or more	12.50%	

The pay ranges will be increased each year from 01 April in line with inflation. Based on the salary for this role, the contribution will be 6.8%, increasing to 8.5% when paid from SCP 44.