

#### **Farnham Town Council**

## Appointment of Community Enhancement & Projects Officer (Maternity Cover)

Farnham Grade 3 (£21,166 to £24,799))

Are you seeking a new challenge where you can really make a mark on one of the country's best places to live?

Farnham takes a pride in its appearance and is honoured to have won gold Eight years running in South and South East in Bloom and is a finalist for the third time in Britain in Bloom. This year we are celebrating the 30th anniversary of Farnham in Bloom and we are looking for somebody who has a winning streak, attention to detail and a can do attitude.

As an active member of Farnham Town Council's small team you will have the opportunity to work on a wide range of projects. You will be able to grow and shape the role.

You will be looking for a role that will allow you to develop your skills, to apply your creative abilities and to work on your own initiative.

There will be an opportunity to work alongside a wide range of community groups and individuals who want to make the most of Farnham as a place to live and visit.

If you want to contribute towards the success of a winning team, please email iain.mccready@farnham.gov.uk or write to Farnham Town Council, South Street, Farnham GU9 7RN for more information and to obtain an application pack.

The closing date for receipt of applications will be 5.00pm on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 with interviews to be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019



# FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL Community Enhancement & Projects Assistant JOB SPECIFICATION

**Post:** Community Enhancement & Projects Officer

**Responsible to:** Business and facilities Manager

**Conditions:** National Joint Council for Local Government Services

**Grade:** Farnham Grade 3 (£21,166 - £24,799)

Pension: Local Government Pension Scheme (managed by Surrey County

Council Scheme) is available

**Car Allowance:** HMRC Scale Rate

Competency Levels: Communication 2 Customer service 3 Team Working -2

Managing Self and Others -3 Can do approach -2

**Working Hours:** Contracted hours of 37 per week

Core hours 9.00 am - 5.00 pm Monday - Thursday

9.00 am - 4.30 pm Friday

Saturday and Sunday and working outside of core hours as and when

required.

Attendance at evening meetings will be required on occasional evenings

throughout the Municipal year as part of the role.

The Town Council operates a Time-Off-In-Lieu policy for working out

of normal office hours.

Holidays: Public Holidays plus 2 extra statutory days

Annual Leave entitlement of 21 days.

**Period of Notice:** Two calendar months by either the employee or the employee

**Probation Period:** Three months from date of appointment for new appointees



#### **Community Enhancement & Projects Officer**

#### **Roles and Responsibilities:**

- i. Support the work of the Community Enhancement Working Group and undertake administration on its functions
- ii. Develop and implement the Council's approach to Farnham in Bloom and environmental improvements.

### **Community Enhancement Working Group**

- Supporting the Business and Facilities Manager in managing the work of the Community Enhancement Working Group, attending meetings as required and writing notes of meetings as required.
- Preparing a detailed year round programme with associated documentation (e.g. Judges Notes) and promotional materials for Farnham in Bloom including social media and regular website updates.
- Drafting press releases associated with the Community Enhancement Working Group and emerging projects.
- Maintaining a database of street furniture under the responsibility of Farnham Town Council and other organisations.
- Liaising with Farnham Riverwatch, the Farnham Rivers Group and related organisations on flooding and other river issues
- Co-ordinating links with schools for the community enhancement programme.

#### **Community Development**

- Maintaining relationships with other local authorities and voluntary organisations in the rural areas of the town and developing new links to benefit of residents, business and visitors.
- Developing and promoting the attractiveness of the rural gateways and villages making up Farnham Town Council working with the community to improve the visual appearance of the rural areas; co-ordinating Town Council events for the 'villages' where appropriate.
- Developing new projects and attracting sponsorship and external funding for specific projects.

#### **Marketing and Publicity**

- Ensuring compliance with the Farnham Town Council's style and branding guidelines.
- Contributing relevant material to the content of the Town Council's publications.
- Developing and updating related areas of the Town Council's Website



#### **General Duties**

- Implementing new programmes, projects and plans to meet the Council's aims and objectives as agreed.
- Maintaining and preparing agreed key performance indicators for projects.
- Covering for other members of the team, including reception, during sickness and holiday absence
- Attending external meetings to represent the Council as required.
- Supporting and attending council meetings, civic functions and events (eg Annual Town Meeting, Remembrance Sunday, FIB launch, Christmas Lights Switch-on etc) as and when required.
- Any other duties which may, from time to time, be considered necessary to facilitate the
  efficient functioning of the Council's operations in line with the competency profile for
  this post.

#### **Performance Management**

- Ensure day to day management of the workload ensuring all commitments are effectively undertaken.
- Ensure high standards of work are maintained to uphold the integrity and profile appropriate to the Mayor of Farnham and Farnham Town Council.



## Community Enhancement & Projects Assistant Person Specification

COMPETENCIES	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Communication	Level 2 of Competency	Experience in taking minutes
Excellent written and verbal communication skills.	Framework.	at formal meetings.
		Experience with social media
Enthusiastic and able to convey the right	Workplace experience of	sites and website
message to the right audience.	effective communication.	administration systems.
	Workplace evidence of	
	exceptional attention to detail.	
Customer Service	Level 3 of Competency	Experience of working in a
Clear focus on delivering excellent customer	Framework.	customer facing or
service.		community focused role.
A positive, can-do outlook.		
Team Working	Level 2 of Competency	Demonstrable experience of
Able to understand team goals and to work	Framework. Workplace	team working.
together to deliver targets.	experience.	
Managing Self and Others	1. 12.60	107
Ability to organize own time and	Level 2 of Competency Framework.	ICT training, skills and/or
paperwork/information to meet project targets.	rramework.	experience – demonstrable though application.
Proficient use of Microsoft Outlook, Word,	ICT skills with comparable	
Excel and Publisher.	packages will be acceptable.	Experience with Sage Act database systems (or
	Clear experience of working to	similar).
	and meeting deadlines to deliver project outcomes.	,
Can Do Approach/Results		
Demonstrate ability to develop and implement	Level 2 of Competency	
projects including producing publicity and	Framework	
deliver projects to deadlines.		
Other	Successful experience in an administrative role.	Full UK driving licence.