	Essential	Desirable	Method of Assessment
Qualification	 Degree or equivalent in an appropriate discipline (eg Local Government; Law; Human Resources) Basic membership of a relevant professional body (eg CIPFA/CIMA; CIPD, etc) 	 Certificate in Local Government Administration or other Level 5 or above qualification 	 Application form Selection Process
Experience	 Corporate or Democratic services in a local government or other relevant public sector context Chairing and clerking meetings involving staff, elected members, and members of the public Management/supervision of staff Managing/monitoring budgets Prioritising and problem solving Writing of quality reports for publication 	 Use of social media and websites in a professional context Human resources management processes, eg absence management, performance management, recruitment, etc 	 Application form Selection Process
Skills / Knowledge	 Ability to plan, lead and implement projects ICT skills, including Microsoft packages Excellent verbal and written communication skills Using initiative to prioritise workload in accordance with needs of the council 	 Understanding of human resources procedures (eg: absence management, disciplinary issues, etc) Commitment to continuous professional development Handling press enquiries 	 Application Form Selection process

Personal Qualities	 Able to work outside of normal working hours, and respond to emergency situations as required Access to a car, or means of mobility support (if driving must hold a valid driving licence and have appropriate motor insurance cover) Commitment to provide high standards of service 		 Application Form Selection process Pre-employment checks
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