

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB DETAILS	
Post title:	Project support officer
Post grade:	Grade E
Directorate:	Transformation
Section:	Programmes
Reporting to:	Transformation programme manager
Line manager:	Yes / No
Date updated:	August 2025

MAIN PURPOSE OF JOB

The project support officer is responsible for the coordination and delivery of a project, working closely alongside the programme officers. They will be responsible for organising project meetings and carrying out administrative tasks and any relevant actions resulting from these liaising with and building up strong professional relationships with stakeholders and colleagues.

They will monitor project schedules and produce reports analysing the information and progress of projects - presenting these where necessary.

When projects are complete, the project support officer will gather feedback from those involved and analyse this against the outcomes of the project to establish lessons learnt. They will also contribute to case studies on each project which will be shared with a variety of stakeholders both internally and externally.

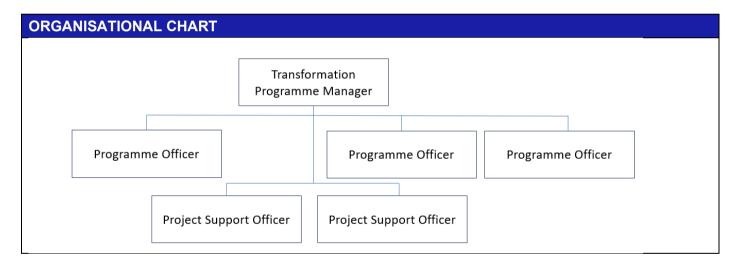
This role is also responsible for producing written communication – including presentations and newsletters – for a wide range of stakeholders, including management, councillors and partners.

SPECIFIC DUTIES

- 1.1 Provide administration support to the business transformation team including scheduling meetings, attending project meetings and taking minutes.
- 1.2 To plan and create presentations for a wide variety of stakeholders including members, council officers and other local authorities.
- 1.3 To draft the team's quarterly newsletter giving an update on the business transformation team's current projects and achievements.
- 1.4 Develop and maintain project documentation and support programme officers and other colleagues to use these effectively.
- 1.5 To oversee project closure and lessons learnt, gathering feedback from those involved.
- 1.6 Contribute to the development of case studies on completed projects.
- 1.7 To produce project reports including status reports tracking the progress of projects.
- 1.8 Establish and manage effective professional relationships with internal and external stakeholders.



- 1.9 Develop training material including video tutorials and written guidance for internal staff.
- 1.10 Assist with enquiries from stakeholders and colleagues via telephone, email and in person.
- 1.11 Contribute to formal process reviews, establishing ways in which processes can be reviewed and put forward proposals.
- 1.12 Develop and support effective communication between the project teams.
- 1.13 Assist with the production and maintenance of project plans.
- 1.14 To ensure that services are delivered in compliance with existing and new Health and Safety legislation and the Council's Health and Safety Policy and ensuring that duties are pursued in a safe manner with due regard to the Health and Safety of yourself and others.
- 1.15 To adhere to all Council Policy, in particular Equal Opportunities.
- 1.16 To undertake any other duties properly assigned from time to time by the Head of Service and corporate services manager which are appropriate to the grade and character of the post.



KEY WORKING RELATIONSHIPS

The key positions this post will interact with internally and externally, including any direct or indirect reports

- Chief officers group
- Leadership team
- Director transformation
- Head of customer, programmes and performance
- Transformation programme manager
- Transformation programme officers
- Digital developers
- Associate director IT, cyber and digital

RESOURCES

The post holder has no direct responsibility for managing departmental budget. The post holder is responsible for managing their own physical resources, such as computers, office equipment, and data storage tools.



PHYSICAL DEMANDS

While the role is primarily office-based, it does require proficiency in using a range of office equipment, including computers, printers, photocopiers, and presentation tools. The project support officer must be able to operate technology such as Microsoft Teams for meetings or presentations. There are no specific physical dexterity skills required beyond those necessary to perform typical office tasks.

The post holder more often than not will be sat in a constrained position.

MENTAL DEMANDS

The nature of this role requires the post holder to cope with general levels of work-related pressures.

There is a need to balance competing project priorities and the ability to take a methodical approach to ensuring each project meets its milestones - whilst also assisting with other aspects of work relating to the business transformation team, such as presentations and meetings with key partners.

The role will require medium periods of concentrated mental attention for preparing presentations and newsletters.

WORKING ENVIRONMENT

Work will be a combination of office and home-based working.

The post holder will be exposed to a wide variety of internal and external stakeholders (including politicians and senior management) when dealing with controversial and/or sensitive issues and occasional challenging behaviours, which they will have to respond to with tact and diplomacy.

ALL STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES

To adhere to all Council Policies, in particular Equal Opportunities.

To undertake any other duties properly assigned from time to time by your line manager which are appropriate to the grade and character of the post.

To be committed to the principles of equality, diversity and the ability to treat everyone who you come in contact with dignity and respect.

Tewkesbury Borough Council is committed to the principles of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children, young people and vulnerable adults; therefore, all employees have a responsibility and duty of care to report safeguarding issues they become aware of or witness.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Ensuring that services are delivered in compliance with existing and new Health and Safety legislation and the Council's Health and Safety Policy and ensuring that duties are pursued in a safe manner with due regard to the Health and Safety of yourself and others.



PERSON SPECIFICATION			
QUALIFICATIONS	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	ASSESSMENT METHOD
Level 3 qualification e.g. A level, or BTEC award or certificate or diploma in a relevant field	\boxtimes		Application form
Agile project management		\boxtimes	Application form
EXPERIENCE	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	ASSESSMENT METHOD
Experience of administration	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Good understanding of Agile project management and working practices	×		Application form/interview
Experience of operating in a customer-focused environment			Application form/interview
Experience of local government or similar organisations, report writing and dealing with Committees.			Application form/interview
Experience of project and programme management systems and tools.		\boxtimes	Application form/interview
SKILLS	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	ASSESSMENT METHOD
Extensive knowledge of Microsoft office applications.	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Analytical skills	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Advisory, negotiating and motivational skills.			Application form/interview
Leadership and supervisory skills.	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Communication and presentational skills	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Organisational skills	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Problem solving skills	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Ability to meet deadlines	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Ability to prioritise	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Ability to work under pressure with minimal supervision	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Attention to detail	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Ability to work across disciplines and functions	\boxtimes		Application form/interview



Ability to work to tight deadlines.	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
BEHAVIOURS / ATTRIBUTES	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	ASSESSMENT METHOD
Customer focus	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Calm, helpful, co-operative disposition	×		Application form/interview
Ability to use own initiative	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Accuracy and attention to detail	×		Application form/interview
Conscientious	×		Application form/interview
Strong interpersonal and client liaison skills	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Methodical approach to work	×		Application form/interview
Sensitivity towards the culture of the organisation and its political complexities.	×		Application form/interview
The resilience necessary to overcome obstacles and resistance.	×		Application form/interview
Ability to work within a team as well as independently	×		Application form/interview
Commitment to equal opportunities and health and safety	×		Application form/interview
Open to change and commitment to continuous improvement	\boxtimes		Application form/interview
Full driving licence with use of motor vehicle.		\boxtimes	Application form/interview