

Job Description and Person Specification

Role: Customer Services Support Officer – Level 2



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Job Title	Customer Services Support Officer – Level 2
Grade	G3
Service	Education & Skills
Reports to	Customer Services Team Manager
Location	City Wide
Job Evaluation Code	X9069L



About Coventry City Council

Who we are: At Coventry City Council we are dedicated to making a positive difference to the services we deliver to the diverse citizens of Coventry. The work we do improves people's lives – from helping them into work to providing clean and green places to live, to keeping people safe and protected.

As a Coventry City Council employee, you have our ongoing commitment to your growth and development with opportunities to work across multiple service areas including customer contact, public health prevention and education and skills, adults and children's services and provide support for the most vulnerable.

Our aim is simple – to be globally connected, locally committed, deliver our priorities with fewer resources whilst effectively managing our performance and measuring our progress.

Our Values: We expect everyone who works for us to be committed to our One Coventry values and to share our commitment to becoming a more diverse and inclusive organisation:



About the Service your team will provide

Purpose of the role

1. Work as part of a team to ensure at the Customer Services function delivers the organisational vision for service delivery
2. Respond to a range of administrative tasks
3. Face to face engagement with customers to gather information to support decision making and services
4. Work to support Customer Services in the delivery of its statutory requirements
5. Carry out administrative tasks to support the day to day activities of Customer Services
6. Work as part of a team to achieve performance objectives
7. Culture where the customer is at the heart of everything it does
8. Undertake day to day duties to ensure business is effective and efficient as possible

Main Duties & Key Accountabilities

Core Knowledge

1. Deliver excellent quality customer service

Through displaying integrity and role modelling of appropriate behaviours and practices setting an example for the team as a whole

Provide excellent customer service to the public and colleagues, taking ownership of general enquiries and ensuring where possible they are resolved at first contact

Resolve queries using appropriate systems and information at your disposal and applying personal judgment as required. Identify appropriate point at which to refer to the service for input or to escalate to the line manager

Use appropriate systems to support services, inputting information, raising and receipting orders, processing invoices etc.

Produce appropriate documentation to support services including; minuting of formal meetings, reports providing visibility of required key information, production of spreadsheets etc.

Maintain systems in an orderly manner; records archiving, filing etc.

Actively promote a positive, forward looking, results orientated and customer focused culture

Demonstrate personal commitment to delivering corporate messages and associated changes

Have pride in Customer Services

2. Focus on performance

Adhere to appropriate routines to ensure that all elements of the service are delivered to achieve optimum performance

Identify and make recommendations for change to practices or issues that negatively affect the performance that is delivered to the customer

Work with team members to ensure appropriate prioritisation and distribution of activity to meet the most pressing needs of the supported service areas

Maintain a professional focus in delivering all aspects of customer service

3. Establish effective relationships

To support work with service managers to build, maintain and promote effective working relationships

Act as a point of contact and support for service requests in the absence of the team manager ensuring that they are briefed/made aware of any requests made in their absence

Engage with peers to deliver excellent customer service

Offer support, guidance and positive engagement to all members of the team irrespective of roles and responsibilities

Work with organisations across a variety of mediums to support the delivery of Customer Services statutory requirements.

4. Maintain a focus on change and continuous improvement

Provide feedback on service delivery to the customer service management team to help facilitate change

See mistakes as an opportunity to learn and make progress at a business and individual level

Demonstrate self-awareness in understand own strengths & weaknesses and explore opportunities with corporate training and quality coaching to learn and improve

Attend training courses for professional development

Provide support, guidance and training to other team members where required

5. Support the Customer Service agenda across the organisation

Take a customer view in considering new initiatives

Support in the implementation of strategies to enable organisational change

Engage where appropriate in corporate initiatives and projects to ensure that customers are at the heart of organisational thinking

Engage positively with customers where appropriate to facilitate the best outcome possible acknowledging organisational constraints where they exist

- Any other duties and responsibilities within the range of the salary grade.

Key relationships

External

- Residents

Internal

- Customer Services
- All other service areas

Standard information

Post holders will be accountable for carrying out all duties and responsibilities with due regard to Code of Conduct, Safeguarding, Health & Safety and the City Council's Workforce Diversity and Inclusion Policies.

Duties which include processing of any personal data must be undertaken within the corporate data protection guidelines.

Smoke Free

The City Council is Smoke - Free. Smoking is not permitted on any of our premises or the surrounding land including car parking facilities.

Training

The postholder must attend any training that is identified as mandatory to their role.

Responsible for:

Staff managed by postholder:

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Knowledge	
An awareness of and a commitment to customer care	
Working in an administrative environment	
Communication skills to be able to establish effective working relationships within the team, with customers and other organisations	
Knowledge of equal opportunities and diversity in relation to good customer care	
Knowledge of IT packages and systems to present documents in the most appropriate format	
Skills and Abilities	
Ability to drive high standards in relation to customer services	
Build effective relationships and resolve conflict	
Supportive and empathetic with colleagues and customers	
Proven good verbal communications skills	
Able to perform administrative duties	
Able to build collaborative relationships with service areas	
Self-management skills, to enable workload organisation, prioritisation and implementation within a team setting and with minimum supervision	
A systematic, methodical and accurate approach to work	
Ability to maintain confidentiality of information	
Ability to support, guide and train team members	
Ability to use systems to support services	
Ability to resolve queries using personal judgement or know when to seek advice	
Experience	
Evidence of personal development	

Working in a customer service environment
Of a wide range of administrative work
Of producing high quality work using various IT packages to support services in areas such as minuting formal meetings, spreadsheets, report writing etc
Qualifications
Relevant experience
Special Requirements

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