

PREMISES MANAGER APPLICATION PACK

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February 2025

Dear Candidate

On behalf of the Board of Directors for Holy Cross Catholic MAC, we would like to thank you for your interest in the post of Premises Manager at Cardinal Newman Catholic Secondary Academy within our Multi Academy Company. The school is one of the seven Catholic schools (2 secondary and 5 Primary) that are part of the Holy Cross Catholic Multi Academy Company (HCCMAC) which opened on 1 September 2019.

This letter is intended to help you complete the application form. Please read it carefully before the completion of your application form. If you have any difficulties, please contact the school.

The application form is your opportunity to provide all the information we will require to help us understand how you meet the requirements of the post advertised. Similarly, it plays an important part in the selection process allowing us to short-list candidates for interview and helping as a basis for the interview itself. To ensure fairness to all applicants, short-listing decisions are based solely on the information you supply on your application form. Even if we already know you as a current or previous employee, it is important that you complete the form in full.

All vacancies are accompanied by a job description and a person specification setting out the main duties and responsibilities of the post in the job description, and the knowledge, skills and experience we are looking for in the person specification.

Please read this information carefully as you will not be short-listed for interview unless you meet the essential criteria described in the Person Specification.

Depending on the number and quality of applications, it may not be possible to shortlist for interview all candidates who meet the Essential Criteria. However, we guarantee to interview all disabled applicants who meet the Essential Criteria.

We are unable to accept CVs so please do not attach your CV, references, or copies of educational certificates to your form. If there is insufficient room on the form in a particular section, you can simply attach an extra page and mark it clearly with your name and the job title, indicating the number of the relevant question.















The 'Relevant skills & experience' section of the form is your opportunity to tell us specifically why you wish to apply and what makes you a suitable applicant. You should include anything you feel would be useful in support of your application telling us as much as possible about yourself in relation to all the items listed in the job description.

Please remember that those involved in the selection process cannot make assumptions about you. - tell us everything relevant to your application and complete all the sections on the form.

The closing date for receipt of applications is by 9.00am on Tuesday 18th March 2025.

DATA PROTECTION

Information provided by you as part of your application will be used in the recruitment process. Any data about you will be held securely with access restricted to those involved in dealing with your application and in the recruitment process. Once this process is completed the data relating to unsuccessful applicants will be stored for a maximum of 6 months and then destroyed. If you are the successful candidate, your application form will be retained and form the basis of your personnel record. By signing and submitting your completed application form you are giving your consent to your data being stored and processed for the purposes of the recruitment process, equal opportunities monitoring and your personnel record if you are the successful candidate. HCCMAC reserve the right to check the validity and accuracy of your application if successful.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Information provided by you on the Equal Opportunities Monitoring Form will be used to monitor our equal opportunities policy and practices. This part of the form will be detached from the main body of the application form and will not form any part of the selection process.















WORK PERMITS

Under the Asylum and Immigration Act, we are required to check that anyone taking up employment with us has the legal right to work in the UK. Shortlisted applicants will be asked to provide us with documentary evidence to support their entitlement to work in the UK prior to any offer of employment being made.

DBS CHECKS

In line with our safeguarding and child protection policy, all employees and volunteers working in specific roles at the Academy will be subject to satisfactory clearance being obtained from the Disclosure and Barring Service. The check will be undertaken as part of the appointment process with the successful candidates. If you are invited to interview, you will be asked to bring this information with you.

PLEASE NOTE We will take up references for all shortlisted candidates prior to interview and reserve the right to validate all information entered on the application form. Please ensure that any person who is asked to act as a Referee knows this information and is available to give a reference during this time.

We expect all our staff and employees to be in sympathy with our Catholic values and help us to achieve the vision that we have set ourselves to work towards.

Yours faithfully

Ms E O'Connor Headteacher

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Cardinal Newman Catholic School















Motto

Achieving Together in Faith.

Mission

Our school communities are united as the family of God to provide an outstanding Catholic education for all our pupils. With Christ at the centre of all we do, we will inspire every child to be the best person they can be by developing their God given gifts and talents.

Aims:

High aspirations for all

Outstanding education - To create an ethos of collective responsibility, through which we will promote achievement and improve pupil performance

Living out Gospel values and celebrating the Catholic ethos in all our schools with reconciliation and peacefulness at the heart of all we do

Young people – who are resilient and make a positive contribution to their diverse and changing communities

Community - strengthening and nurturing the Catholic life of our schools

Realising talent by developing pupils, staff, academy representatives and Directors for the benefit of the Holy Cross community

Optimising our resources to realise best-value by sharing assets and using economies of scale

Standards - To maintain the highest quality of Catholic education by ensuring accountability at all levels

Service to God by serving others in our school and local communities and national and international communities in need.















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JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Premises Manager

Salary/Grade: Grade 6 - £32,654 - £38,626 per annum

Hours: 37 hours per week, all year round

Responsible to: Headteacher, Leadership team, Business Manager

Responsible for: Site team of 3 staff (2 site services officers and litter picker)

Working hours: 8.00am – 4.00pm Monday to Thursday 8.00am – 3.30pm Friday (negotiable) the post will be a daytime managerial role, but the post holder will be expected to cover shifts with **Introduction:**

This appointment is with Holy Cross Catholic Multi Academy Company under the terms of the Catholic Education Service contract. The post-holder will, by personal example, ensure that the Catholic ethos and mission of the MAC, permeates all aspects of the life of the school. This job description may be amended at any time, following consultation between the headteacher and the post-holder. It will be reviewed annually.

Job Purpose:

To support the management and development of the school site and premises. This includes managing school premises issues as they arise, developing a premises and maintenance plan, to ensure that the premises are fit for purpose and meet the requirements of Health & Safety legislation and the curriculum. The post holder will be required to be an experienced practitioner with significant practical skills. The role is both operational as well as managerial, therefore you will be required to have a 'hands on' approach and lead by example, as you will spend a significant proportion of your time involved in practical site activities.















MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

Management of the Premises Team

- Prepare work rotas covering daytime, evenings and weekends to ensure that the site is adequately covered for maintenance, security, late school activities, lettings and to facilitate trips returning to school.
- Allocate the daily, weekly and monthly tasks for each member of the premises team through the monitoring of the in-house helpdesk system.
- Receive regular reports form the premises team regarding the reactive maintenance undertaken, including date, time taken, materials utilised and lead member of staff.
- Monitor the condition of site buildings and grounds to ensure that appropriate standards are achieved.
- Manage Performance Management for the Premises Team and in partnership with the Business Manager, identify individual and team training needs and support team development.
- Ensure effective risk management i.e. in health and safety and in the management of any third-party service contracts.
- Know about risk assessment tools and how to use them to establish hazards within the school and the associated risk involved.

Strategic Maintenance

- Contribute to the strategic planning and development of the school site, in conjunction
 with the Business Manager and the Leadership Team and be proactive in identifying the
 most appropriate and effective solution to the developing facility needs of the school.
- Contribute to the management of all site related projects: from initial concept, through design and specification, to implementation and hand over to the school
- Manage the costs of minor site-based projects to both budget and specification ensuring value for money.















Planned Maintenance

- Ensure that the planned maintenance programme for the school is understood and any need to use third party contractors is agreed.
- Agree the scope of the work with the Business Manager and obtain quotes form third
 party contractors prior to instructing them to undertake the work to demonstrate that
 best value has been obtained. The number of quotes obtained will be in line with school
 policy.
- Maintain a file of all work undertaken by third party contractors to include:
 - Specification
 - Quotes both successful and unsuccessful
 - Method statements and risk assessments forwarded by contractor to cover the specified work, some of these may be generic
 - Copies of the signing in log and Asbestos Register review
 - Copies of all permits to work
- Ensure that all work is signed off on completion, identifying any areas of concern, and managing the contractor until the work is completed satisfactorily.
- Ensure that arrangements are in place to ensure that there will be an appropriate and timely response to emergency callouts as necessary.
- Ensure that a member of the Premises team attends to co-ordinate any emergency repairs.
- Ensure that the school is properly prepared for use during inclement weather.

Health and Safety

- Maintain a register of Risk Assessments for operations undertaken by the Premises team, and ensure that a rolling programme of auditing Risk Assessments is implemented to ensure that they are still relevant.
- Ensue that the Premises Team use equipment in a safe manner and are appropriately trained.
- Ensure that a register of all hazardous chemicals in use on the site is developed and maintained and ensure that all staff who use the chemical are aware of how they should be safely used and stored.
- Ensure that copies of the hazard data sheets are available in a central register and at the point of storage.















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- Ensure that any contractors visiting the site are shown a copy of the Asbestos Register.
- Ensure that any contractors visiting the site are made aware of the school policy in relation to smoking, of the fire evacuation procedure and park in a designated area.
- Obtain risk assessments and method statements form third party contractors prior to them starting work on site.
- Operate a permit to work scheme for all contractors and ensure that all contractors are in possession of a permit prior to starting work.
- Continuously monitor compliance with health and safety regulations.
- Ensure that the fire alarm is checked weekly and a record of the test maintained.
- Ensure that the emergency lighting is checked weekly and a record of the test maintained.
- Ensure that the firefighting equipment is checked weekly and any fire extinguishers that have been discharged are replaced immediately.
- Ensure the site is checked weekly for any possible health and safety hazards.
- Ensure that the insurance safety checklist is completed half-termly
- Ensure that the school complies with Legionella, Asbestos and other Health and Safety legislation.

Security

- Ensure that the site is secure and that the entrances and exits are monitored through the School day and out of hours, including ensuring that there is an adequate number of Premises staff on site at all times when School is open to the public.
- Ensure that the locking systems of the buildings are not comprised and that the alarm system is regularly serviced and maintained.

Financial Management

- Advise the Business Manager on the optimum use of funds allocated for structural and non-structural maintenance.
- In association with the Business Manager, prepare monthly statements of expenditure for all premises budget headings, for discussion with the Headteacher.
- Obtain quotes for maintenance work in line with school policy.















General Duties

- Although there are a small number of lettings in operation currently the post holder will be expected to monitor effectively the letting of the site, including all rooms and external areas. Ensure that any specific equipment is provided.
- In line with Policy to ensure that a weekly check of the minibus will be carried out by a member of the site staff team.
- To hold a register for MOT and tax renewal for the Schools Minibuses and to liaise with the finance officer to ensure compliance.
- To ensure a cleaning schedule for the minibuses of at least termly internal and external clean.
- To ensure that any issues identified as falling under the remit of the Premises Manager role are satisfactorily resolved whether they are strictly a premises related matter or not.
- To keep abreast of developments in the Facilities Management field and identify possible areas where there is scope to improve systems and procedures.
- To develop self within the post, undertaking training as appropriate to ensure that relevant knowledge and skills are updated in order to support the development of the school
- To undertake specific task as identified by the Business Manager and Headteacher as and when required.
- To comply with Health and Safety policies at all times
- To establish and maintain positive, professional relationships with staff, visitors, students, parents and all other stakeholders of the school.
- To be aware of and comply with the codes of conduct, regulations and policies of the school and its commitment to equal opportunities.
- Employees are expected to be courteous to colleagues and provide a welcoming environment to visitors and telephone callers.

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task undertaken may not be identified. Employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from a line manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description















This job description is current at the date shown, but, in consultation with you, may be changed by the Head Teacher to reflect or anticipate changes in the job commensurate with the grade and job title.

An Enhanced Disclosure with the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) will be undertaken before an appointment can be confirmed. The successful candidate will be required to disclose all convictions and cautions, including those that are spent; the exception being certain, minor cautions and convictions which are 'protected' for the purposes of the 'Exceptions' order:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/dbsfiltering-guidance

Safeguarding Notice

As part of our strong commitment to safeguarding, this post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. In line with Keeping Children Safe in Education 2022 (KCSIE), online searches will be undertaken for prospective shortlisted candidates.

Equal Opportunities

We value the diversity of our staff and students, and everyone at Cardinal Newman School is equally valued and respected. We aim to be an inclusive employer that reflects the communities we serve. We are committed to providing a fair, equitable and mutually supportive learning and working environment.

Date Reviewed: 25th February 2025















Person Specification

Job Title: Premises Manager

CODE: E/D = Essential or Desirable A = Application, I = Interview

Knowledge and Understanding The successful candidate will		Measured
demonstrate:		
Have a good knowledge of minor building and maintenance tasks to	E	A/I
include basic carpentry, decorating and cleaning.		
Knowledge of health& Safety legislation and good practice.	Е	A/I
Knowledge of moving and handling procedures.	Е	Α
Knowledge of premises related Risk Assessments.	Е	Α
Experience		
Strong Management and experience of managing a team of staff. To be able to organise, lead and motivate a staff team.	Е	I
Experience in working in a site maintenance role or relevant trade	D	А
experience.		
Evidence of the ability to problem solve	Е	I
Good IT skills to be able to manage and maintain management	Е	A/I
information systems, the online help desk system and H&S compliance		
documentation.		
Working in and promoting an environment of equal opportunities.	D	А
Working in premises management at a senior level	D	A/I
Skills and Abilities		
Evidence of the ability to initiate ideas, propose solutions and to take	Е	A/I
ownership, to ensure that the school site and premises are fit for purpose		
& meet H&S requirements / legislation		
To control own workload & the Site Teams workload to meet agreed	E	A/I
deadlines through effective and efficient prioritisation and organisation.		















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Through team supervision, support staff with prioritisation of tasks through effective delegation and team working.	E	A/I
Advanced communications skills in order to advise, guide and negotiate successfully with external organisations, premises team, wider staff	E	A/I
groups and the school Leadership.		
High level of DIY skills	Е	A/I
Ability to work as part of a team.	E	Α
Flexibility, being able to adapt to rapidly changing situations.	E	А
Display a conscientious and logical approach to the variety of tasks necessary.	Е	А
Ability to manage own time effectively and prioritise workload	E	A
Excellent attention to detail	D	Α
Special Requirements		
Successful and satisfactory background check received from Disclosure	Е	
and Barring Service (DBS) after interview and before appointment.		
A commitment to safeguarding children	Е	
Health & Safety qualification e.g. IOS or NEBOSH	D	Α
Any relevant trade qualification	D	Α

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Bishop Ullathorne

Catholic Secondary Academy





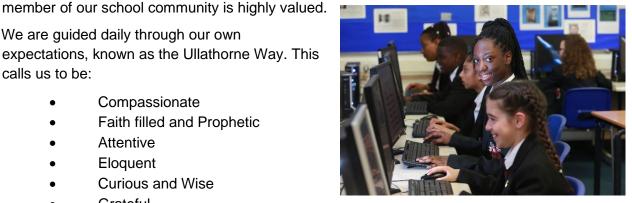
At Bishop Ullathorne Catholic Secondary Academy, we recognise the uniqueness of each child and the need to build upon the firm family Catholic values established in the home and in our partner primary schools. Our mission as a Catholic school is to be an active Christian community of love and service where all feel they belong and are valued. We believe strongly that each child has a right to excellence and to be actively encouraged to be the person God wants them to be.

Working together, we enable our students to recognise and to have confidence in their own abilities. It is important to us to raise the aspirations of each of our students and provide them with the love and support to grow as the very special person that they are. We focus on rounded development: spiritually, morally, socially, physically and academically. Every member of our school community is valued and their sense of belonging is paramount. Whilst great emphasis is placed on each student's academic achievement, we also foster traditional values. Your child's sense of belonging at school contributes to our sense of community in a happy supportive atmosphere. Hard working, caring and sympathetic staff work in partnership with parents to ensure that your child's secondary school career is enjoyable and successful.

Our outstanding Catholic school has a long standing record of high quality education and academic excellence. Student achievement is a continued strength at both key stage 4 and key stage 5. All progress and attainment measures significantly exceed the national averages. Each

We are guided daily through our own expectations, known as the Ullathorne Way. This calls us to be:

- Compassionate
- Faith filled and Prophetic
- Attentive
- Eloquent
- Curious and Wise
- Grateful



Only by extolling these virtues can we show the love of Christ in our daily actions and grow to be our true self.















Cardinal Newman

Catholic Secondary Academy



Our school is named after one of England's foremost Catholics, the Blessed John Henry Newman and we are very proud to be associated with his love of learning and his strong commitment to providing the best pastoral support for those in his care.

Our mission statement "Knowledge through the light of faith" is at the heart of all we do and we endeavour to make known to every student that they are made for greatness because they are a child of God and are uniquely created and loved by God.



Every student is called to live out the gospel values by loving God, others and themselves and by being prepared to always do their best and be the best person they can be.



We insist on the highest standards of behaviour, uniform, attitude to learning and respect for one another and the environment. By providing a traditional, yet broad and balanced curriculum for all our students regardless of ability and background, we are able to recognise and develop individual talents and interests including academic, creative and sporting provision that is appropriate for every child from our special needs students to our Oxbridge applicants. We also have a varied extra-curricular activities

programme that includes a wide variety of clubs as well as day and residential visits to enhance each student's learning experience.

We are blessed to have an amazing staff who work tirelessly for our students so that they are given every opportunity to fulfil their true potential and we pride ourselves on excellent relationships, where we work together to form a happy, loving and caring community, based on clear boundaries, accepted values and high expectations.

We are very proud of our successes and our GCSE results in 2018 placed us as one of the highest performing secondary schools in both the Diocese and Coventry Local Authority. As we prepare for the 50th anniversary of the opening of our wonderful school in September 1969 we are determined to continue to improve to meet the needs of our students in an ever-changing world and we are confident that we will achieve our vision, which is simple: to become an outstanding catholic school in all we do.

At Cardinal Newman we want for your child exactly what you want as parents – the best and nothing but the best.















Christ the King

Catholic Primary Academy



Christ the King Catholic Primary Academy provides an excellent, Christ centred education through inspirational teaching and empowerment of all pupils to reach their full potential spiritually, intellectually, physically, socially and morally, in a happy, caring, stimulating environment promoting self-esteem and confidence. Our school offers all-through primary education for 420 pupils, complemented by 52 nursery places.



Our teaching philosophy is centred on an environment of mutual respect where the staff, the pupils and the whole community work together for the common aim of educating to achieve the highest standards of competence and ability and to be responsible and worthy citizens of the world.

The diverse backgrounds represented by our pupils and staff contribute to a rich learning environment where the communication of knowledge is informed by professional

expertise and personal experience. A differentiated teaching programme delivers the curriculum at the rate appropriate to the individual child.

We aim to develop and extend every pupil to enable them to achieve their full potential, irrespective of academic ability or social background. Our curriculum encompasses the widest range of concepts, attitudes, skills, responsibilities and cross-curricular issues

relevant to a pupil's life in its widest perspective.





The school offers a wide range of sporting and artistic activities to complement the core academic expectations of the National Curriculum.

Our pupils make excellent academic progress, and impressive results are achieved on the sports field and in the arts arena.















St Augustine's Catholic Primary Academy



St Augustine's Catholic Primary Academy is located in the heart of Radford in Coventry. We are a happy and vibrant two form of entry school with a Nursery. As a school we aim to work in partnership with parents, guardians, the parish and the Academy family of schools to support our children and families on their journey of Faith. As part of the family of God we work hand in hand.

'To listen to God's call, to learn from God's word and to share God's love through service.'



Our extensive grounds include a Forest School site which is used to develop a range of skills with pupils, a Thrive nurture room, a sports Muga and counselling facilities.

Our staff here are committed to working together to support our children to be the best they can be spiritually, morally, academically, mentally and physically. We aim to provide a broad and balanced curriculum that will both engage and educate our pupils shaping them into caring future disciples and knowledgeable, responsible citizens.

















St Elizabeth's

Catholic Primary Academy



St Elizabeth's is truly a special place, a happy place where staff, parents, governors and children work in harmony together. The school has developed an individual identity since its creation over 100 years ago which combines the best of traditional educational values with a modern vibrant vision.

At St Elizabeth's we pride ourselves on celebrating the cultural diversity of our locality. We are a school community in which all children are welcomed and valued as unique members of God's family, a family of different faiths and backgrounds living, loving and learning together joyfully following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ.





Central to our philosophy are the values and virtues Christ taught us through the Gospels, these values run through every aspect of school life like a golden thread, intertwined and bound throughout all of our relationships and the experiences we provide for our children. Our reliance on these values ensures the spiritual formation of every member of our school family.

We aim to provide a rich and diverse curriculum that develops our children morally and socially as well as academically. Children leave St Elizabeth's as faithful, aspirational, responsible and resilient young people ready to make positive contributions to the wider communities in which they live.

At St Elizabeth's we take enormous pride in knowing all of our children and families very well. We are fully committed to ensuring that each child is offered the finest start to their education in a stimulating, caring and loving environment, an environment which influences a lifelong love of learning and one in which our children thrive and live life to the full.















St John Vianney

Catholic Primary Academy



Welcome to St John Vianney where Christ is at the centre of everything we do. We have one school rule which is:

Love one another as I have loved you

We strive to promote the values of our Christian faith throughout our daily life. We provide a religious syllabus, which develops our children's knowledge and understanding of our faith. However, more important to this school are those values, which we try to relate to all the aspects of our life within the faith community of St John Vianney Parish.

St John Vianney is a happy and caring school where every child is known and loved. We seek to challenge and support all our children and make them excellent citizens of the future, knowing how important it is to do their best and care for those around them.



We are conscious of the necessity to provide our pupils with a broad and balanced curriculum and constantly review and evaluate the achievements of the school. Our curriculum is exciting and engaging aiming to bring the humanities alive through first- hand experience wherever possible. We aim to provide both high academic and non- academic standards, a good faith basis and involvement in the wider community. Moreover, developing the whole child by enabling them to acquire knowledge, appreciate their creative abilities and master the challenges of physical education and sport.



St John Vianney Catholic Primary Academy strives to achieve its aims through a strong partnership between governors, staff, children, parents and Parish. Most of our governors are parents or past parents and members of our Church community. We believe that this improves the level of co-operation and the sense of shared commitment and responsibility. We believe that we can only achieve the best for your child by close co-operation between home and school. Without the involvement of parents, our task is that much more difficult and less enjoyable. We hope that parents will take a

close interest in what their children are doing in school and will encourage learning and its importance in later life.

It is our view that Primary School years lay the foundations for a lifetime of learning and work hard to cultivate the fundamental partnership between Home and School by welcoming parents to become involved in their child's education.















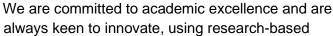
St Thomas More

Catholic Primary Academy



St Thomas More's motto is "Learn and Grow as God's Holy People" and this underpins everything we do at the school. We believe that every child should be pushed and supported to achieve their Godgiven potential and that it is our responsibility to get the best out of all of our students – academically, socially and spiritually. We are a very diverse, multi-ethnic community with a highly inclusive ethos.

Children are happy to come to school here and they thrive on the nurture and support offered. We are situated in a suburban residential area of south Coventry, a 30 minute walk from the city centre, but we draw our children from a much wider catchment area. The school is housed in a modern building which opened in September 2014 and we have very generous grounds which include a large field, allotment, forest school, a pond and a chicken pen.





methods to develop and improve our practices further. We keep our curriculum under constant review so that it is appealing and relevant to our current situation and we place great emphasis on the importance of a consistent approach from Nursery to Year six. Our children's learning experience is very hands-on: an example of this is our maths mastery programme which focuses on underlying mathematical concepts and number sense through the use of manipulatives all the way from Reception to Year 6. We see it as our duty to produce well-mannered, respectful and motivated young people and our behaviour and discipline policies are reflective of this. Children leave St Thomas More with all the qualities they need to make a positive contribution to society. We have excellent relationships with



our local parish and the children make good use of the church. Our vocation to Catholic life is evident across the curriculum and throughout the school. Our families are very supportive of our ethos and work well with school leaders to ensure positive outcomes for all. Many parents comment that St Thomas More is like an extension of the family.

The school received a highly positive Ofsted inspection in January 2018 and we aim to build on this as we continue to improve and push ourselves to be the best we can possibly be.

















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Why work in Coventry?



Coventry is an innovative city that boasts two cathedrals, old and new. It combines medieval architecture with vibrant regeneration which is rich in bars, restaurants and culture. Coventry has recently been awarded the City of Culture for 2021. You will find both the Belgrade theatre and the Warwick Arts centre on the doorstep, along with open green spaces such as the War Memorial Park and Coombe Abbey.

The Ricoh Arena hosts both football and rugby, along with music concerts. Road and rail links are exceptional. Birmingham and Leamington Spa are under 15 minutes by train and London just over an hour. Stratford upon Avon, Warwick and Solihull are also nearby. From Coventry it is only one rail stop to Birmingham International Airport and the National Exhibition Centre. In December, Birmingham was named host city for the 2022 Commonwealth Games, and local town, Leamington Spa, was recently named as one of the best places to live in the Midlands in 2017 by the Sunday Times. The city hosts a variety of annual events such as the Coventry Half Marathon, the SkyRide and the Godiva Festival, which is the biggest free family festival in the UK.

Coventry also has two universities, Coventry University which was awarded University of the Year for 'Student Experience' by The Times in 2014 and the University of Warwick, which is in the top















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10 on the league tables. Both universities have links with three of the city's biggest employers, Jaguar Land Rover, the NHS Trust and Coventry City Council.











