

Job Description and Person Specification



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Job Title	Driver Escort
Grade	3
Service	Customer and Support Services / Fleet / Special Needs Transport
Reports to	Team Leader/Service Supervisor
Location	Whitley Depot
Job Evaluation Code	C6215D



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 / Output

Under the general direction of the Supervisor, to be responsible for the operation of vehicles, escort duties, and/or ancillary duties (as noted below) in relation to delivery of Special Needs Transport service.

Main Duties & Key Accountabilities

Core Knowledge

Undertake all driving (incorporating passenger transport and/or incontinent laundry), escort, and delivery duties in allocated vehicles as instructed by Supervisor.

2. Pick up clients and transport them to their point of destination using the vehicle in a safe manner at all times.
3. Assist clients with learning/physical difficulties to board on/off the vehicle and to ensure that they are seated securely using seat belts and/or harnesses.
4. Respect all clients and treat them with sensitivity at all times.
5. Take all reasonable steps to prevent clients from causing harm to themselves and/or others.
6. Receive items of clothing, equipment and medication and/or money and pass these on to parent/carer at client's destination address.
7. Deliver home meals to clients and report to Supervisor any cause for concern relating to the client's condition, so that appropriate action may be taken.
8. Carry out daily vehicle checks before start of journey and report all defects to Workshops for action.
9. Ensure the vehicle handbrake is applied, ignition key removed and doors locked when not in vehicle.
10. Operate 2-way radios with due care and attention to health and safety policy guidelines.
11. Complete all paperwork as requested.

12. Be flexible in working contracted hours over a standard working day and over a 7-day working week on a rota basis as and when required to meet the needs of the service.
13. Any other duties and responsibilities within the range of the salary grade.

Note: All personnel are prohibited from smoking in vehicles in line with Council policy. All incidents of smoking are to be reported and will be treated as a disciplinary offence.

Key relationships

External Special Educational Schools both LA and Academies within Coventry and outside of Coventry.	Internal Centres for Adults with Learning Difficulties and Centres for Older People
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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:

N/A

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Knowledge	
Practical knowledge of the Highway Code	
Basic Knowledge of Health and Safety.	
Able to demonstrate an understanding of the City Council's Equal Opportunities Policy.	
Skills and Abilities	
Flexible approach to work.	
Ability to work as part of a team.	
Ability to assist passengers in/out of wheelchairs and/or in/out of vehicles	
Ability to respect clients with varying needs and treat them with sensitivity at all times.	
Ability to maintain satisfactory attendance levels and timekeeping.	
Ability to work on own initiative.	
Good communication skills.	
Willingness to learn new skills.	
Experience	
Dealing with people.	
Qualifications	
Driving licence, CAT D (101) or full PSV licence (qualified to drive up to 16 seat minibus), or pre 1997 driving licence.	

Special Requirements

This post is exempted under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and as such appointment to this post will be conditional upon the receipt of a satisfactory response to a check of police records via Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

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