

Job Description and Person Specification

Internal Communications Lead

Job Details	
Grade	7
Service	Policy and Communications Team
Location	Council House, Earl Street, Coventry CV1 5RR (Hybrid working available)
Job Evaluation Code	A6248

Coventry City Council 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:

Open and fair: We are open, fair and transparent.

Nurture and develop: We encourage a culture where everyone is supported to do and be the best they can be.

Engage and empower: We engage with our residents and empower our employees to enable them to do the right thing.

Create and innovate: We embrace new ways of working to continuously improve the services we offer.

Own and be accountable: We work together to make the right decisions and deliver the best services for our residents.

Value and respect: We put diversity and inclusion at the heart of all we do.

Job Purpose

A skilled and strategic operator, the Internal Communications Lead to play a key role in communicating and engaging with our 5,000+ employees across the city.

You will be responsible for delivering an internal communications strategy that supports organisational priorities, drives employee engagement, and fosters a culture of openness, inclusion, and collaboration.

Working closely with the Internal Communication Manager, senior leaders, our People team, and service areas, you'll ensure our people are informed, motivated, and empowered to deliver for Coventry's residents. You will Chair or ICE Board.



Key Responsibilities and Accountabilities

Manage the day-to-day delivery of our internal communications strategy aligned to the Council's corporate objectives and values and the People strategy.

Plan and manage internal communications campaigns that support organisational change, employee engagement, reinforce our culture and values and promote wellbeing initiatives.

Provide strategic communications advice to senior leaders and managers on engaging their teams effectively.

Oversee the creation of engaging content for internal channels, including the intranet, email newsletters, digital screens, and staff events.

Manage the Council's internal communications calendar to ensure consistent and coordinated messaging.

Monitor employee feedback and engagement, using insights to continuously improve communications.

Oversee a group of communication champions to ensure two-way communication is embedded across the Council.

Champion the use of inclusive and accessible language and formats, and positive representation of our staff across all internal communications.

Support on crisis and incident internal communications, ensuring timely, clear, and accurate messaging.

Key Relationships					
External:	 Internal Comms practitioners across the sector. Industry contacts & leaders. 	Internal:	 Employees Elected members Director of Policy and Communication Head of Communications Communications Team Human Resources Digital Services Customer Services 		



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.
- Attending any training and undertake any development activities that are identified as mandatory/beneficial to their role.
- Any other duties and responsibilities within the range of the salary grade.

Responsible for

No direct line management responsibility

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Requirements			
Knowledge	A proven track record in internal communications, staff engagement and culture/behaviour change		
Knowledge	Knowledge of the role of internal communications in supporting organisational change		
Knowledge	Knowledge of strategic campaign planning models		
Skills And Ability	Creating engaging, accessible, and high-quality content across web, print, social media, and other platforms		
Skills And Ability	Collaborating with internal and external stakeholders, including senior officers and community partners		
Skills and Ability	Managing competing priorities and deadlines in a fast-paced environment		
Experience	Planning, delivering, and evaluating multi-channel communication campaigns		
Skills and Ability	Using insight and audience analysis to inform messaging and targeting		



Experience	Developing detailed campaign plans aligned with Council priorities and key dates
Experience	Scheduling content and social media posts across multiple channels
Experience	Coordinating with internal teams and external partners to ensure timely delivery
Experience	Monitoring ongoing campaigns and adjusting tactics based on real-time data and feedback
Qualification	The job holder should ideally have a relevant qualification or be willing to work towards one.
Special Requirement	Some working outside of normal office hours may be required

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Declaration			
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