Liskeard Town Council

Person Specification for the Support Services Manager

	Essential Attributes	Desirable Attributes
Educational Qualifications	 Evidence of a commitment to continuing professional development NVQ Level 3 qualification in a related discipline or similar. 	Appropriate financial or management qualification – CIPFA or similar.
Management	 Evidence of ability to prioritise work, set targets, and achieve positive outcomes. Evidence of ability to organise and manage resources effectively. Previous experience of managing staff and team building. 	Previous local government office experience.
Communication Skills	 Excellent oral and written communication skills, including an ability to relate to, and communicate with councillors, staff, members of the public and contractors. Ability to provide objective advice to councillors in a timely and coherent manner, including analytical report writing and analysis. 	Experience of modern communication techniques, including social media.
Information Technology	 Experience in Microsoft Office package, including spread sheets and computerised accounting systems. Good all round IT skills. 	Conversant with web sites and related design/maintenance.
Meetings and Administration	Practical experience of servicing committees, agenda preparation, report writing and minutes,	Practical knowledge of standing orders and financial regulations.
Finance	 Wide experience of budget setting and good financial management skills. Ability to fully grasp the full implications of all financial decisions Ability to interpret and implement complex financial regulations A track record of successful external grant applications and ability to obtain funding from non-traditional sources. 	 Previous experience in a local council admin or finance department Experience of Sage or Omega Accounting Software Understanding of Local Government finance and the Accounts and Audit Regulations.
Other	 Ability to operate with complete impartiality in a political environment. Able to work on own initiative without supervision and within a small team environment. 	

Note: Assessment of whether criteria are met will be from the application form submitted followed by interview where appropriate. In respect of qualifications original certification will be required.

1st July 2016