## Person specification: Communications and Engagement Officer

Attribute	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	GCSE Math and English or equivalent (A-C)  Relevant degree/professional qualification in marketing and comms or equivalent experience	Relevant qualification in website content management  Digital marketing qualification and design content management website
Experience	Experience in marketing and comms  Experience in social media campaigns increasing engagement and visibility of the Town Council  Public and Media Relations  Knowledge of general office practices and procedures  Running successful engagement events ideally in a community setting  Experience in designing unique and memorable times that connect with key stakeholders and drive outcomes using promotions	Project management
Behaviours and characteristics	Dynamic and adaptable approach  Ability to prioritise and plan workload efficiently, with a thorough and meticulous approach	

	Ability to manage simultaneous projects and to co-ordinate a safe and efficient operating environment  Excellent time management  A 'service driven' and 'can do' attitude	
Communication	Ability to communicate effectively, orally, in writing and electronically  Good networking skills are essential  Ability to liaise with the press and/or other media in accordance with Town Council policies  Ability to be articulate and sensitive in potentially controversial situations  Ability to develop effective relationships with external and internal stakeholder, the general public and statutory bodies	Ability to present to diverse audiences
Personal Qualities	To maintain confidentiality  Ability to work under pressure  Ability to be diplomatic and tactful  Ability to work co-operatively and effectively as part of a team  To be approachable and to have good listening skills  To maintain the reputation of the Town Council	

Strategic Thinking	Ability to think, plan and work strategically and methodically	
Technology / IT Skills	Excellent understanding of IT in order to perform office functions and other requirements of the role  Professional knowledge of Office packages including Word, Excel, Outlook, SharePoint, Social Media, database and creative software packages  Ability to use website management platforms to maintain and develop the Town Council website	Ability to use search engine optimisation and understand algorithms
Equal Opportunities	Ability to demonstrate awareness/understanding of equal opportunities and other people's behaviour, physical, social and welfare needs	
Other relevant factors	Ability to attend Town Council civic events and projects as required	Driving licence and vehicle