JOB DESCRIPTION



Job Title	Emergency Response Officer (Relief)		
Salary	£23,541 - £28,672 + LWA £626		
Directorate:	PEOPLE	Section/Location:	Forestcare
Grade/Salary Range	BG H (SCP 15-24)	Work style:	Office and Remote

Key Objectives of the role

- Monitoring community lifeline alarms and residents' alarms in sheltered accommodation. Monitoring lone worker alarms in the community.
- The contact point for Bracknell Council and partner agencies emergencies outside normal office hours.
- Respond to emergency homecare requests and provide personal care and assistance in individuals own homes.

Designation of post and position within departmental structure



Daily and monthly responsibilities

Assist with Control room tasks. To include:

- Answer a variety of calls at the Control Centre including alarm calls and log details on the appropriate system.
- To deal with telephone calls in a polite, sensitive and professional manner, respecting confidentiality and with an awareness of adult Safeguarding
- To action calls and resolve them to satisfaction of client and with minimal supervision.
- Assist with clerical and administrative duties.

Care and Support

- Respond to person centred plans and, therefore, the needs and wishes of the individual which support personal comfort, dignity and well-being.
- Empowering and promoting and enabling personal development.
- Reflect and include individual risk management strategies.

- Enable and support maximum involvement of the individual in all aspects of decision-making in relation to their own life.
- To remain available throughout the night, for any individuals needing assistance.

Implement the Policies and Procedures of the Department and of the individual Services/Teams. To include:

- provision of personal care
- risk management
- record keeping
- person-centred approaches
- safe manual handling
- cleaning duties and checks

Team Working

Ensure good communications within the whole Forestcare service so that the service to individuals is coordinated and safe. This includes completion of relevant paperwork and records.

Liaison

Liaise with families and care providers in relation to the needs and wishes of the individual and in ways which comply with the requirements of appropriate confidentiality and individual choice.

Personal Development

Participate in all appropriate internal/external training as identified through the supervision and appraisal system and utilise the skills and knowledge gained to improve services to individuals.

General

Be aware of the requirements of services under Community Care legislation and Government requirements, in particular Valuing People and contribute positively to identify service development needs.

Be flexible in working patterns and be prepared to undertake any duties which are compatible with the nature of the post.

Scope of role

To be aware that the support offered via Forestcare is scrutinised by the Care Quality Commission. As such, individual support staff has a crucial role to play in demonstrating empowering, flexible approaches to supporting the most vulnerable individuals in the community.

All employees working with vulnerable adults have a responsibility for safeguarding and promoting their welfare.

There is no supervisory responsibility, but Officers are expected to be able to carry out their duties with minimal supervision.

The service is provided 24 hours, every day of the year which means the post holder will be required to work different agreed hours with line manager

All employees working with children, young people and vulnerable adults have a responsibility for safeguarding and promoting their welfare.

Commitment to the Council's Equal Opportunities policy always

Commitment to working within the bounds of the Data Protection Act and GDPR legislation always

Such other duties as may from time to time be necessary, compatible with the nature of the post. It should be noted that the above list of main duties and responsibilities is not necessarily a complete statement of the final duties of the post. It is intended to give an overall view of the position and should be taken as guidance only.



PERSON SPECIFICATION

KEY CRITERIA	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	
Skills and qualifications	Good standard of literacy and numeracy to include a good level of spoken English.	English & Mathematics GCSE (or equivalent) C Grade or above.	
	Experience or knowledge of individuals with support needs.	Qualification in care	
Competence Summary (Knowledge, abilities, skills, experience)	Previous experience of carrying out personal care ideally within a community setting. Good verbal and written	Experience and understanding of working with vulnerable members of the community in an empathetic manner.	
	communication skills.		
	Skills to write clear and accurate reports as required for individuals.	Understanding of Social Care legislation.	
	Ability to work with a range of individuals from a variety of backgrounds.	Knowledge of services available in the community	
	A commitment to the principles of respect, independence, choice and inclusion and an understanding of the practical implications of this.		
	Willingness and ability to undertake work related training and utilise new skills and knowledge to enable improved support.		
	Understanding of and commitment to the requirements of safeguarding vulnerable adults.		
	Ability to communicate clearly.		
	Ability to apply initiative within work.		
	Practical common sense and an awareness of the needs of individuals within the community.		
	Must hold a full UK driving licence		
Work-related Personal Requirements	Ability to relate to and empathise with vulnerable individuals.	Experience in community alarms or switchboards.	
	Good interpersonal skills.	Experience in local government or	
	Able to cope in difficult demanding situations.	voluntary agency. Experience in community based	
	Flexible but consistent approach.	care.	

KEY CRITERIA	A satisfactory enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service Check. ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
	Good general health and physical ability to undertake safe moving and handling practices.	
	Remain alert to the needs of customers and the service throughout the whole of the working shift.	
Other Work Requirements	Committed to Safeguarding of the welfare of vulnerable adults and able to work within the policies and guidelines of Services and BFC.	
	Motivated and able to use initiative. Trustworthy and reliable.	
	Receptive to new ideas and able to accept changes.	
	Ability to liaise professionally with families and other agencies.	

All staff should hold a duty and commitment to observing the Council's Equality & Diversity policy and procedures at all times. Duties must be carried out in accordance with relevant Equality & Diversity legislation and Council policies/procedures.

Adaptable Resilient