



YOUTH COMMISSION PLAYScheme

Job Description

PLAYScheme - PLAY WORKER

Main Purpose:

To work as part of the Youth Commission for Guernsey and Alderney Playscheme team in delivering high quality youth work in line with the stated aims of the Youth Commission.

Key Areas:

1. Work directly with children at Playscheme, delivering activities and opportunities to develop personal, social and educational skills. This may involve decision making, discussions, the arts, IT/computer projects, community projects, environmental projects, outdoor activities and/or sports & games.
2. Use interpersonal skills to develop relationships and provide support as required to individual young people within a group setting.
3. Encourage increasing levels of participation of young people at Playscheme.
4. Support and encourage volunteers and other Playscheme staff.
5. Liaise with other agencies who work with young people, as and when required.
6. Assist in ensuring that all sessions at Playscheme are carried out in a safe, non-threatening and inclusive environment in accordance with the Youth Commission's Health and Safety policies and Child Protection policy.
7. Participate in daily staff meetings and individual supervision meetings over the Playscheme period.
8. Undertake other general duties as and when required to ensure the smooth running of Playscheme.

Key Criteria:

Essential:

1. Good interpersonal and communication skills.
2. Proven organisational skills.
3. Administrative ability (planning and evaluating work).
4. Proven ability to contribute to work as part of a team as well as the ability to use own initiative and work independently.
5. Experience of working with children in an informal setting.

Desirable:

1. A basic understanding of youth work principles.
2. A full Guernsey/ UK Driving Licence.
3. First Aid qualification.

Relationships:

The post holder will be supervised by and responsible to the Playscheme Lead.

Health and Safety:

The post holder will be required to comply with the Youth Commission's Health and Safety, Alcohol and Smoking policies.

This job description and its requirements will be subject to periodic review and possible change.

An appointment will be made subject to a satisfactory enhanced criminal record check. Convictions likely to be considered relevant to this post include violence, offences against children or vulnerable individuals, theft and dishonesty. All disclosures of a criminal record background will be treated in the strictest confidence and checks will only be made in connection with your application for this post and for no other purpose. Disclosure of a criminal record will not necessarily debar a candidate from appointment, as the nature and relevance of the conviction/s will be taken into account.