WHITWICK PARISH COUNCIL PARISH MANAGER - PERSON SPECIFICATION

Requirement	Essential	Desirable
Educational qualifications	A good general level of education to at least NVQ Level 3 and/or 'A' level standard with a minimum of GCSEs in Maths and English at Grade C or above. Certificate in Local Council Administration OR a commitment to obtain within 12 months of appointment	A recognised qualification in local government administration A recognised qualification in Information and Communications Technology
Previous work	At least 3 years' experience working in an administrative capacity Experience of taking minutes and servicing meetings. Experience of dealing with the public Experience of working in a financial setting, budget planning, keeping accounts and generating financial reports	Experience of public sector administration Previous local government experience Experience of dealing with the public, elected representatives and staff Experience of office management Current experience of working as a Parish Manager/Clerk
Skills and knowledge	Ability to understand the legal framework in which the Parish Council operates. Able to produce reports on a range of subjects including financial information Experience of setting and managing budgets IT skills enabling use of internet, office e-mail, word processing, financial records and website development. Ability to problem solve	Understanding of parish council meetings practices and procedures. Understanding of the Members' Code of Conduct. Understanding of current issues facing parish councils Presentational skills Experience of procurement and letting contracts Experience of Health and Safety procedures Experience of payroll, including income tax calculations and NI contributions

Personal Qualities	Methodical and thorough approach to tasks	
	Self reliant and self motivated.	
	Good interpersonal skills. Able to deal with a wide range of people in an impartial, diplomatic and professional manner	
	Good written and verbal communication	
	Political awareness and sensitivity.	
	Commitment to continuing professional development	
Other	Able to work flexibly as required to attend evening meetings, weekend surgeries and other events.	Access to or use of a car
	Willingness to undertake relevant training to enhance the role of Parish Manager	