# **PERSON SPECIFICATION: Job Title POST REFERENCE: Insert**

**HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL IS COMMITTED TO SAFEGUARDING AND PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS. IF THIS POST IS SUBJECT TO SAFER RECRUITMENT MEASURES THEN A DISCLOSURE AND BARRING SERVICE (DBS) CHECK WILL BE REQUIRED.**

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| * **Educational/vocational/ occupational qualifications and/or training** * **Specific qualifications (or equivalents)** | GCSE Maths or English grade C and above or equivalent qualification (F)  Diploma/BTEC/NVQ3 or equivalent qualification in substance misuse, youth studies, community work, education, psychology, social work or health and social care (F) |  |
| * **Work or other relevant experience** | Experience of working with children/ young people with multiple needs (F)  Experience of delivering training to groups and a group work programme (F)  Encouraging children/ young people to reflect on their behaviour, its consequences and risks, recognise the benefits and potential for change and providing support and encouragement to help individuals achieve change positively. (I)  Experience of working with vulnerable children/ young people.(F)  Assist children/ young people to identify their requirements and priorities, identify, explore and assess a range of options and the potential implications of different decisions and select and agree and appropriate course of action. (I) | Experience of working within a substance misuse treatment setting (F)  Experience of working with individuals with substance misuse issues (F) |
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| * **Skills, abilities, knowledge and competencies** | Safeguarding children and adults guidance and legislation. (I)  Equality and Diversity guidance and legislation. (I)  Confidentiality, consent and mental capacity. (I)  Risk taking behaviour and the resulting problems. (I)  Mental health, emotional health and emotional wellbeing. (I)  Data Protection guidance and legislation. (I)  Computer packages including Microsoft Office. (I) | tieodeo | |
| * + **General competencies** | Ability and willingness to adopt a flexible approach to working outside normal office hours or at different venues on occasion. (I)  Able to undertake the demands of the post with reasonable adjustments where required. (I)  Handling sensitive and confidential information and maintaining discretion and confidentiality. (I)  Encourages others to express their views, feelings and wishes.  Use of effective support systems and networks to develop own knowledge and practice. (I)  Must have a willingness and commitment to undertake training (I) | Evidence based practice. (F&I)  Advocacy, offering guidance and mentoring support. (F&I)  Delivery of professional training. (F&I)  Knowledge of local services and geography (F&I)  Confident in challenging areas of practice within self and team. (I) | |
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**On-going Training Requirements**

The post holder will be required to undertake the following mandatory/essential training at the frequency indicated.

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| **Mandatory/Essential Training** | **Frequency** |
| Information Governance  Safeguarding  Theseus (Client Management System) | Annually  Annually  Annually |

Please note all appointments within Hartlepool Borough Council are subject to a declaration of medical fitness by the Council’s Occupational Health Service (having made reasonable adjustments in line with the Equality Act (2010) where necessary.