



## JOB DESCRIPTION

- **JOB TITLE:** Contract Management Coordinator
- **GRADE:** Band 5-6 (SCP16-32) (2020/21 £24,012 £27,040)
- BASE: Northern Design Centre, Abbott's Hill, Gateshead NE8 3DF
- MANAGED BY: Procurement Specialist

**COVID-19 update:** Please note that NEPO is currently following the Government's advice on enabling staff to work from home if it is safe and practical to do so. Therefore, this role will be delivered remotely in an agile way, until NEPO makes any changes to these working arrangements.

## SUMMARY OF POST

- a. To be responsible for the management of collaborative contracts to ensure outcomes and value for money are achieved, ensuring all contracts are managed in accordance with the Category Strategy.
- b. To be responsible for identifying improvements in arrangements including contracts and supplier relationships to make the best use of resources and encourage growth.
- c. To drive the performance of contracts and work actively with suppliers and stakeholders to drive continuous improvements, savings, and additional benefits.

## 1. JOB PURPOSE

#### The key duties of this post will include:

- 1. Supporting Procurement Specialists and working alongside Procurement Coordinators to implement and manage contracts.
- 2. Carrying out the implementation of contracts and monitor contract performance to ensure that the benefits set out in the related category strategy are realised. Collect, analyse and report on key performance indicators in line with the requirements of the contract.

- 3. Ensuring all contracts are managed in line with the standardised contract management approach, acting as the conduit between stakeholders and suppliers.
- 4. Reviewing spend data and developing market knowledge/intelligence in specific categories ensuring contracts are delivered and managed in line with regional needs and objectives.
- 5. Assisting in the preparation of related reports for senior managers, Elected members, and other relevant stakeholders.
- 6. Working with appropriate stakeholders to ensure robust contract management and monitoring arrangements are implemented and maintained throughout the lifespan of the contract and to drive improvements and develop supplier relationships.
- 7. Utilising manual and/or ICT systems within NEPO to ensure a high level of accuracy of information is maintained.
- 8. Maintaining records and ensuring issues are escalated to managers promptly so that underperformance or concerns can be addressed.
- 9. Carry out other duties, engage in development activities, and promote the benefits and strategy of NEPO and its service as required and such other responsibilities allocated appropriate to the grade of the post.

#### 2. Personal Disposition

- 1. Plan and organise workload to ensure effective, efficient and timely delivery of agreed tasks to the required standard to support the overall delivery of NEPO.
- 2. To demonstrate high professional standards that represent NEPO in a positive and professional manner and contribute to the continuous progress and development of NEPO.
- 3. To build appropriate broad and professional networks to increase the influence that can be exerted on matters that concern NEPO and Member Authorities.
- 4. Foster close and effective relationships with colleagues and customers to deliver mutual benefits as part of a regional collaborative team.
- 5. Take responsibility for your own health, safety and welfare ensure that organisational health and safety policy and procedures are adhered to.
- 6. Take personal responsibility for continued personal and professional development and contributing to the learning and growth of NEPO.
- 7. Carrying out other duties, engage in development activities and promote the benefits and strategy of NEPO and its services as required.

# PERSON SPECIFICATION

| Criteria       | Essential   | Desirable  | How<br>identified            |
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| Knowledge      | Contract monitoring tools and<br>performance measures.<br>Analysis techniques to measure<br>effectiveness and impact.<br>Supplier and stakeholder<br>management.  | Working within a<br>category management<br>environment.<br>Appropriate performance<br>tools to measure success<br>and tackle<br>underperformance.                        | Application<br>and interview |
| Qualifications | 6 GCSE at Grade 4-9 or<br>equivalent, including Maths &<br>English)   | Professional qualification<br>in a directly relevant<br>subject area or<br>equivalent demonstrable<br>level of relevant work-<br>related experience.                     | Application<br>and interview |
| Experience     | Providing Customer Service in<br>an environment, where different<br>customers have different needs<br>and expectations.<br>Communicating with different<br>audiences using a mixture of<br>techniques to inform including<br>writing reports and presenting to<br>a variety of audiences.<br>Networking and building<br>relationships to promote<br>awareness<br>Meeting deadlines and<br>prioritising work to ensure<br>personal and team targets are<br>met.<br>Using a variety of IT tools and<br>systems. | Experience of working in<br>procurement/purchasing<br>environment.<br>Delivering procurements<br>based on a category<br>management approach<br>within the public sector. | Application<br>and interview |