

# **Person Specification**

**Project Officer: Community Wellbeing** 

**Newcastle Neighbourhoods** 

### Part A

The following criteria will be assessed at application stage:

#### **Essential**

- Experience of identifying, developing and implementing creative and innovative policy, practice and new ways of working.
- Sound understanding, commitment and experience of asset-based development approaches (ABCD) or strength-based approaches and co-production methodology, and proven ability to apply these principles in practice and assess their impact.
- Understanding of relationship power and experience of facilitating citizen-led relationships in neighbourhoods, including people who access social care and service provider organisations.
- Excellent problem-solving skills and a demonstrable track record of applying these to help achieve improved outcomes for individuals and effect change at a system level specifically in relation to improving wellbeing.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills including developing and presenting service development concepts and themes, prepare and present progress and other reports as necessary.
- Experience of reaches a wide range of people enabling them to understand complex information, to empower and facilitate stronger voices and involvement, including leading on consultation processes in neighbourhoods.
- Ability to work at the forefront of cooperative working, developing strong and
  effective and equal partnerships resulting in mutual understanding and common
  purpose to inform transformation of social care models.

 Experience of coaching, mentoring and share learning and work with managers, staff and partners to ensure a shared commitment to the delivery of creative and innovative services

#### Desirable

- Experience of working in innovative settings and services
- Experience of implementing a range of structured engagement methodologies.
- Experience of using participative learning processes to identify, share and celebrate best practice e.g., Appreciative Inquiry, solutions-focused practice
- Experienced and/ or knowledge of Newcastle's Voluntary and community sector.
- Demonstrable track record of successfully developing, designing and managing social action projects

#### Part B

The following criteria will be further explored at interview:

- Experience of and a personal commitment to working in equal partnership with people using services and their carers, with a focus on transforming social care and health provision models.
- Understanding of how to personally work as agent of change with a range of stakeholders, identifying opportunities to work differently, share learning, change practice and develop culture.
- Ability to work in new or untried ways with individuals and across services
- Excellent interpersonal and verbal communication skills which inspire confidence

## **Additional Requirements**

- Flexible working with occasional evening or weekend working required.
- Enhanced DBS check required.