

# **Person Specification**

## **Participation Worker**

SECTION	CRITERIA
Education & Qualifications	NVQ or equivalent in Youth and Community Work
Skills, Knowledge & Experience	Experience of promoting and developing personal, social and educational programmes and opportunities with and for young people
	<ul> <li>Knowledge and understanding of the issues affecting young people's lives</li> </ul>
	Ability to organise programmed youth activities
	Able to develop effective working relationships with young people and adults in a variety of settings
	Ability to work as part of a team and on own initiative
	The ability to communicate with a wide range of people including young people, staff and volunteers
	An understanding of safeguarding and child protection legislation and practice
	High personal integrity and motivation
	Ability to use IT systems and management information systems (presently Views)
	Commitment to continuous personal development
	Respect for the community
	Willingness to work flexibly to ensure service continuity

#### **Key Responsibilities of Role**

- To support the planning and delivery of participation and youth leadership projects
  with young people across provision including centre-based, detached and community
  settings to enhance their personal and social development via informal learning.
- To provide opportunities to young people to support their personal and social development through leadership programmes.
- To promote resilience, independence and self-efficacy through an ongoing process of identifying young people's personal attributes, challenging self-limiting beliefs, raising aspirations and promoting their capacity for change.
- To communicate effectively, in a timely manner with appropriate stakeholders to enhance the support being provided.
- To contribute to the development and implementation of appropriate procedures, guidelines and systems to improve the delivery of the participation / leadership programmes.
- To provide support, guidance and training to the wider Youth Involvement Team and other WCHG staff engaged in working with young people delivering leadership programmes.
- To keep informed of local and national issues in relation to youth participation and leadership opportunities.

#### **Key Team Relationships**

#### **Key Internal working relationships are with:**

 Youth Involvement Team and other Wythenshawe Community Housing Group colleagues,

### Key External working relationships are with:

- Young people and residents within the community
- Other youth engagement professionals/wider youth alliance
- Funders
- Stakeholders.
- Decision making forums for young people in Manchester and Greater Manchester