

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Area:	Force Headquarters	Job Title:	Contact Handler	Weekly Hours:	37
Section:	Contact Management	Scale:	4 (+ appropriate allowances)	Version:	7
Post No:	B053	Status:	Established	Version Date:	3/9/14

Please describe, with example(s) in section 8 of your application form how you feel you meet each of the numbered essential criteria, and where possible the desirable criteria, below.

Criteria Justifiable as necessary for safe and effective performance of the job.	Essential A clear definition of the necessary criteria.	Desirable Where available, elements that contribute to improved / immediate performance in the job.
Education:	To be qualified to GCSE Grade C or equivalent in English Language or demonstrate experience requiring the use of English Language to that standard.	10.To hold a National Vocational Qualification Level 3 in a related topic i.e. Customer Service or equivalent.
Work Experience:	 Demonstrate experience of communicating effectively by telephone and / or radio systems. Demonstrate by example, within a working environment, experience where it has been necessary to receive information, identify the salient points, draw conclusions and initiate appropriate action. 	11. Demonstrate experience of dealing with a wide cross section of the public.

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Personal / Interpersonal Skills, Aptitudes:

- 4. Demonstrate proven ability to deal with a conflict, emergency or stressful situations.
- 5. Demonstrate effective listening and oral communication skills in a diverse and often challenging environment.
- 6. Demonstrate a willingness to embrace change, a flexible attitude to working hours and an understanding of working shifts.
- 7. Work effectively as part of a team to provide a high level of service to customers, maintaining contact, ascertaining their needs and providing an appropriate response.
- 8. Demonstrate a level of awareness of diversity issues appropriate to this role.

Special Skills:

- Ability to use windows based computer systems, accurately record and retrieve data with a keyboard skill level equivalent to 25 words per minute (typing level tested before interview).
- 12. To have experience of working in a similar environment that provides a service to customers in emergency situations
- 13. To have knowledge of legislation in relation to crime and traffic issues.
- 14. Knowledge of Police IT systems in particular the Command & Control and crime and Intelligence systems.
- 15. Knowledge of Management of Police Information (MOPI)
- 16. Knowledge of legislation relating to Data Protection and the Freedom of Information.

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ROLE DESCRIPTION

Job title:	Contact Handler					
Post no:	B053					
Scale:	4 (applicable allowances)					
Responsible to:	Contact Management Centre – Team Leader and Inspector					
Responsible for:	No staff supervised.					
Contacts:	Members of the public, members of the Force, outside agencies, other emergency services and external organisations.					
Role:	 Through flexible and committed team working provide a high quality call handling service to members of the community and the Force. Working a 24 hours rotating shift pattern, 365 days a year To promote positive relationships and confidence with the caller by delivery of a professional service and by initiating the appropriate course of action. To provide a specialist service to the customer allocating resources and responses to incidents, which maximises customer satisfaction and confidence in policing. To record, update incidents, complying with national and local guidance and standards on the management of police information. 					
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<u>Duties</u>	<u>Responsibilities</u>
Operational:	To act as the initial investigating officer for reports of crime taken over the telephone.
	2. To liaise with and provide a professional service, to colleagues across the force, external agencies and other forces.
	3. To provide an appropriate level of guidance and advice in the effective application of the internal, national & local frameworks
	4. To establish by negotiation whether there is a need for resource attendance or whether telephone resolution can be achieved and take appropriate action
	5. To co-ordinate with local teams to agree if same day deployment is achievable
	To ensure incidents are coded correctly for the attention of colleagues within the Scenes of Crimes Department
	7. To use relevant Force IT systems to manage calls in compliance with local, regional and national guidelines

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Communication:

- 1. To receive calls from members of the community, members of the Force and other organisations for help, advice and assistance.
- 2. To interrogate callers and deal with queries that do not require police attendance.
- 3. **Non-Emergency Calls:** to answer calls requiring police assistance, to interrogate the caller to establish the severity and nature of the incident and commence an incident log using the force's command and control system.
- 4. To liaise with other members of the force for calls requiring their ownership and attention, and to transfer telephone calls to appropriate extensions (including voice mail extensions).
- 5. **Emergency Calls:** to interrogate the caller to establish the severity and nature of incidents and commence an incident log using the force's command and control system.
- 6. To initiate appropriate action and to deal with incidents in line with graded response guidelines and the Decision Making Model.
- 7. To co-ordinate appointments with the customer agreeing the most appropriate time for attendance which may be that day or a scheduled future appointment.
- 8. To answer, investigate and resolve enquiries and demonstrate ownership of each call & for other forms of contact.
- 9. To provide help advice and reassurance to customers ensuring that their needs and expectations are properly assessed & recorded and the appropriate service offered.

Administration:

1. To ensure that incident records and information systems are accurately maintained in a timely manner.

General

- Actively promote equality of opportunity, work towards eliminating discrimination and promote good relations between all groups of people
- 2. Undertake such other duties commensurate with the post as may be required for the safe and effective performance of the job.
- 3. This role description should develop along with the changing demands of policing reflected in Force Objectives and priorities
- 4. Be flexible in terms of working location and be prepared to work temporarily at other locations within the Force area, undertaking a similar role

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Additional Information:

Contract Type:	Established					
Date of last Job Evaluation Exercise:		NA				
Training Requirements:	Initial training course and in company period both pass/fail.					
PDR Activities and Behaviours:						
Car User:	.NO	Allowance {per mile / day etc}:				
Budgetary Management:	.NO	Authority to £ Value:				
People Management:	.NO	Total Number & Level:				
Post Funding Method:	Contact Management					
Owner/source of Funding:	Contact Management					
IT Systems Required:	CIS/GENIE, STORM, Outlook, MICROSOFT OFFICE, XC MAPPING					
Skills Required:						
Health tests required:	Applicants must meet the required standard of hearing and eyesight					
Risk Assessment:	YES YES					
Job Evaluation:	Yes / No NO					
Security Check Level: (strikethrough checks NOT required)	CTC, RV,					
Additional Information:	Attendance is compulsory on the 6 week initial training course which runs Monday – Friday, 8am-4pm.					

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LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE RISK ASSESSMENT FORM

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AREA/DEPT.:	DATE COMPLETED:	REVIEWED
LOCATION/WORK ACTIVITY (GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL POST) A	ASSESSED:

SPECIAL GROUPS OF PERSONS CONSIDERED:

COMPLETED BY (Risk Assessor): AUTHORISED BY:

ASSISTED BY:

REMEDIAL ACTION PRIORITY ORDER					
Date					
Number	Completed	Initials			

WORK ACTIVITY		HAZARD	LIKELIHOOD			RISK	
No.	Description of task	Description including potential severity	H M L	Groups Exposed. Evidence of previous harm.	Existing Controls in place?	H M L	Hazards x Likelihood

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