**Team Support Assistant - Fostering Team**

**Salary:** £25,992 per annum rising to £28,163 per annum

**Work location:** Samuelson House. The successful candidate will be required to attend an office a minimum of 1 day a week with have the ability to work in an agile manner.

**Working Pattern:** 37 Hours Monday – Thursday 8.30 am–5.00 pm,

Friday 8.30 am– 4.00 pm

**Annual leave allowance:** 25 days, per annum

**Pension:** You will also have access to a Local Government Pension Scheme with employer contributions.

**Contract type:** Temporary (12 months)

**Vetting requirements**: This role is subject to a Criminal Records Check

**Closing date:** Sunday 20th April 2025

**ICT Assessments:** Monday 28th April 2025

**Interviews:** 8th May; 9th May or 13th May 2025

Do you want a rewarding role where you will make a difference? Our business support team is the vital engine of Children’s Social Care. Working together with our dedicated social work teams, we provide essential support for children & families in our community who are under the care of the Local Authority.

We are looking for people who want to work in a challenging environment where no two days are the same. If this sounds like you, we have opportunities for you to join our committed team of administrators.

**About the role**

We are looking for a Team Support Assistant to provide administrative support to our Fostering Team.

Team Support Assistants are crucial in supporting our Social Workers and Team Managers to work effectively to deliver outstanding services to local children and families in your community. You will support our social workers directly, building excellent working relationships with professionals and members of the public and providing efficient and first-class customer service. Strong IT skills and excellence in customer care essential.

Examples of the work you will be supporting are the kinship/connected persons fostering application processes, team inbox management, calendar management, supporting all financial transactions, updating the Childrens Social Care database and answering telephone calls.

You will be a person who can build excellent working relationships with professionals and members of the public. You will be a highly organised individual, with good IT skills and will be able to provide efficient first-class customer service to all users of the Service.

We have a dedicated training and induction plan for all new starters where we will develop your knowledge, skills and expertise in business administration in order for you to be successful in your role.

Our Organisation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults. We expect all employees, workers and volunteers to share this commitment. We will ensure that all our recruitment and selection practices reflect this commitment. As a Disability Confident employer, we guarantee an interview for disabled applicants who meet the essential criteria for the job. We also guarantee interviews to care leavers who have completed further education and who meet the essential criteria for the job. For those leaving care without any further education we guarantee an interview for our apprenticeships.

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**The recruitment process is held in two parts; there will be an ICT assessment and an interview following successful outcome of your ICT Assessment.**