

Person specification

Company name: AGH Solutions Ltd

Job title: Estates Maintenance Gardener

Grade A

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	Good standard of secondary education to GCSE level. Has a clean driving licence for a four wheeled vehicle and is able to drive to other trust properties when required. Willingness to undertake further skills/competence training as may be required to fulfil the required the changing demands of the post.	Has own transport. Awareness of current Health & Safety Legislation and related issues such as PPE, Safe Use of Tools, Has some form of formal qualification in horticulture or related subject. Dry stone walling, fencing etc. Completion of a recognised apprenticeship or recognised formal period of training of at least three years duration in the horticultural industry
Skills/competencies	Ability to work as an individual with a minimum of supervision or as part of a team. Ability to make sound judgements with regard to operational safety when in lone worker situation or when put under pressure by the situation or other workers. Able to use own initiative in relation to problem solving in order to resolve situations to a satisfactory conclusion.	Ability to drive four wheel drive vehicles in a range of weather conditions with a variety of attachments – tandem axle trailers, gritting hoppers, snow plough attachment etc.
Knowledge	Able to demonstrate a reasonable knowledge of Health & Safety requirements in the workplace and how these should be applied in relation to particular tasks and situations. Has knowledge with regard to the safe use of gardens machinery, tools, chemical applications and access equipment.	

	Able to demonstrate a fair knowledge of seasonal issues in relation to grounds maintenance and relevant planting schemes/activities as these would apply a different times of the year.	
Experience Required	Able to apply the knowledge, experience and judgement necessary to demonstrate, in a practical sense, the safe operation on specifically trained gardening equipment. Able to demonstrate the ability to make sound judgements with regard to operational safety when in lone worker situation or when put under pressure by the situation or other workers. To have recent relevant experience of working within a Grounds & Maintenance function aimed at ensuring the quality and high standards required.	Previous experience of working in a hospital\healthcare\care home environment
Special attributes	Working to schedules, procedures and tight deadlines.	
Personal qualities	Personable disposition with a general ability to get on with colleagues and customers. Willingness to learn and to attend training courses as required. Good attendance/sickness absence record Demonstrates a positive and enthusiastic attitude to work. Flexible approach to working hours, including weekends and bank holidays. Adaptable to change.	