#### Job Profile

**Job Title: Reducing Youth Violence and Exploitation Team Manager** 

Job Grade: Level 4, Zone 2

Salary Range: £45,042 - £51,870

### **About Camden**

'Camden is building somewhere everyone can thrive, by making our borough the best place to live, work, study and visit. Because, we're not just home to UK's fast-growing economy. We're home to the most important conversations happening today. And we're making radical social change a reality, so that nobody gets left behind. Here's where you can help decide a better future for us all. The Reducing Youth Violence and Exploitation Service is part of the Camden Integrated Youth Support Service within the Early Intervention and Prevention Directorate. The Reducing Youth Violence and Exploitation Service is committed to supporting young people's successful transition into adulthood.

### About the role

The Reducing Youth Violence and Exploitation Team Manager manages the Evolve Team, who are a non-statutory service supporting 17.5 -25 year olds in Camden who are affected by youth violence and exploitation. The team work with young people/adults to explore their hopes and needs and support them on their journey of meaningful change. Areas of intervention can include, but are not limited to; education and employment, physical and emotional wellbeing, relationships, living arrangements and feeling safe.

The work takes place in a range of settings maintaining a clear focus on the prevention of young people's participation in gang activity, violence and other group offending and those who are vulnerable to exploitation. The team understands that a young person can be either a victim or perpetrator, or both at any one time. The team provide information and advice to professionals and key stakeholders about the resources and services available to young people in Camden in relation to youth violence, exploitation, gang disruption and prevention and associated issues such as substance misuse, mental health and contextual safeguarding risks – and the challenges around exploitation.

The aim of the service is to identify and respond to emerging problems for young people and by working with them, and their network where applicable, offer tailor made support to improve outcome and build resilience, so that young people stay safe, be healthy, engage in education, training or employment and be able to play a positive role in their communities

The purpose of the Reducing Youth Violence and Exploitation Team manager role is to take responsibility for the team of case managers, ensuring the team is assessing needs, risks and vulnerability appropriately and offering an effective, high quality outcome focused support to young people, in line with local, and national standards and Camden's Vulnerable Adolescence and Youth Safety Task Force strategies.

The Team manager will be responsible for:

- Leading and managing a multi-disciplinary staff team in a range of work environments, ensuring they are supported, motivated and empowered to deliver high quality support to young people
- Providing management oversight of cases held by the team, ensuring risk and vulnerability are addressed appropriately and in timely manner and appropriate support provided to young people in order to achieve desired outcomes.
- Utilising effective planning, monitoring and evaluation techniques, analyse and assess the quality of case work being delivered through regular case audits and review case work practice against quality assurance and local and national inspection frameworks, taking action when required to address work that falls below a satisfactory standard
- Establishing and maintaining strong partnerships with relevant professionals and agencies in order to offer a coordinated support service to young people and their families.
- To act as operational lead for the respective team and represent the Service/Council in various forums as required, offering information, advice and data as and when required.
- Undertaking all relevant managerial and administrative duties, including budget and asset management, completion of reports, supply of statistical/management information.

## About you

Essential:

Professional qualification in any of the following professions:

Youth and Community work

Youth Justice/ Probation

Connexions and Career

A relevant qualification such as Psychology, Counselling, or Substance misuse

Social Work- (HCPC -registered

- Experience of leading and managing a multi-disciplinary and diverse team
- Experience of overseeing effective delivery of case work, including, assessment, planning, delivery, and evaluation of case work practice.
- An in-depth knowledge and understanding of legislative framework and policies relating to young people' services, including safeguarding and child protection, GDPR, health and safety at work etc.
- A good knowledge of current policy and practice relating to vulnerable young people and young adults with specific reference to youth offending, gangs, Priority and Prolific Offenders, Contextual Safeguarding Issues and substance misuse
- Proven experience of working successfully in a multi-agency and in partnership context sharing information appropriately and sensitively both within and outside the organisation.
- A good understanding of management theory and practices including performance management system and processes, inspections and quality assurance framework and principle underpinning management of an effective team
- A good knowledge of the risk factors for young people / young adults associated to negative outcomes together with an awareness of the challenges linked to transition arrangements in relation to youth violence and offending

- Experience of carrying out quality assurance audit of cases, providing constructive feedback and support to improve practice
- Ability to take responsibility for planning own work, consistently achieving and delivering to time, and quality despite tight timescales and conflicting priorities.
- Strong administration, budget and resources management and the ability to produce regular plans, statistical information, reports, and management information
- The ability to adapt to change and support and motivate staff through a change management process such as reorganisation
- Negotiation and influencing skills to effectively engage with a range of audiences

### **Work Environment:**

The role will require to be office based at 5PS on a day-to-day basis. However, due to the nature of the work would be expected to be based in a number of locations to best serve the needs of young people including in the community.

This role also involves regular contact with people, some of whom may at times be challenging and as the manager, the post holder would be expected to address any concerns raised by public and front-line staff in the context of their work.

There is a requirement to be able to work flexibly and outside normal office hours when required and be flexible and adaptable to ensure consistent delivery of services provision.

## **People Management Responsibilities:**

The post holder will be responsible for managing a team of case managers and would have direct management responsibility for up to 7 staff, taking overall responsibilities for managing performance of the team and service area. In addition, be responsible for managing resources and aligned with the team.

# Relationships:

The post holder will be expected to communicate at all levels, from front line staff to senior managers, members and parent, carer as and when required. The post holder will be working in a multi-agency context receiving and sharing information to safeguard children and young people, therefore will be working very closely with social services, police, CAMHS, housing and other Camden and community services

# Over to you

We're ready to welcome your ideas, your views, and your rebellious spirit. Help us redefine how we're supporting people, and we'll redefine what a career can be. If that sounds good to you, we'd love to talk

# Is this role Politically Restricted?

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## **Diversity & Inclusion**

We want Camden Council to be a great place to work and to ensure that our communities are represented across our workforce. A vital part of this is ensuring we are a truly inclusive organisation that encourages diversity in all respects, including diversity of thinking. We particularly welcome applications from Black, Asian and those of Other Ethnicities, LGBT+, disabled and neurodiverse communities to make a real difference to our residents so that equalities and justice remains at the heart of everything we do. Click <u>Diversity and Inclusion</u> for more information on our commitment.

## Agile working

At Camden we view work as an activity, not a place. We focus on performance, not presenteeism. We create trusting relationships, we embrace innovation rather than bureaucracy and we value people. Collaboration is the Camden way, silo working isn't.

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## **Asking for Adjustments**

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