

JOB DESCRIPTION								
DIRE	СТС	DRATE:	DEPART	IMENT:				
DIRECTORATE: LCCS			Libraries & Heritage					
JOB TITLE:			POST NUMBER:					
Development Manager, Archives & Local History			[to be assigned]					
REPORTS TO (Job Title):				Current Grade				
	Head of Libraries & Heritage			Grade 10				
1.		N PURPOSE OF JOB:	ornal part	nore to dovice and implement				
				ners, to devise and implement the Archives and Local History				
	(ALH) service which deliver the council's cultural vision for the service and which maximise the services' access to external funding streams.							
2.	CORE RESPONSIBILITIES, TASKS & DUTIES:							
	i	Initiate and negotiate develop	oment pro	jects for the ALH service				
	(including writing fundraising applications) working with local, regional							
	and national cultural and grant-awarding bodies to create addition							
		capital and revenue resource		•				
		and conservation of the ALH						
	ii Implement and project-manage development projects (including							
	leading and developing project staff) to improve access to and care							
	iii	of the ALH collections Develop and implement strategic collections management plans for						
	111	the ALH collections through negotiation with archive owners and						
	other heritage institutions, to maintain the scope and size of the AL							
		collections at a sustainable le						
		resources and overlaps with other heritage institutions.						
	iv							
	team members through the Performance Development Review process so that quality of service to the public and care of the							
	collections is constantly improving.							
	V	Act as Secretary and professional curatorial advisor to the York						
	Archives and Local History Development Trust (YALHDT), to supp							
	vi	and guide the Trustees in fundraising for ALH development.						
	VI	Identify and implement opportunities to maximise trading income from the ALH collections to reduce the net cost of the service to the						
	council tax payer.							
	vii		er manage	ement of all budgets and other				
	resources delegated to this post							
	viii Work co-operatively and communicate and consult with colleagues							
	within the service and beyond, to ensure effective working							
	relationships are maintained							

ix	Actively participate in the Performance development Review process, personal learning and development and team working to ensure agreed service priorities and targets are delivered.
Х	Be accountable for and take ownership of all targets delegated to this post.

3. SUPERVISION / MANAGEMENT OF PEOPLE

No. reporting – 7 in total plus project staff and volunteers

Permanent staff: Direct: 2 Indirect: 5
Project staff: average of 1 direct report per year

Volunteers: Average of 2 direct report volunteers/placement staff and 10

indirect report volunteers/placement staff per year.

Full line management responsibility for two direct reports and their teams in two discrete locations: the Archives Team, based at City Art Gallery; and the Local History team based at the Central Library (with outreach via local branch libraries)

4. CREATIVITY & INNOVATION

The post holder will need to exercise a high level of creativity and innovation in identifying opportunities for fundraising and forming development partnerships with external bodies.

Without compromising core professional and ethical standards the post holder will need to be prepared to adapt the ALH mission to make connections with the differing agendas of external funding agencies.

S/he will need to apply fresh thinking to identify ways in which the Archives and Local History service can engage with individuals and organisations which do not come under the traditional "heritage" umbrella.

5. CONTACTS & RELATIONSHIPS

Internal

Weekly contact with the Head of Libraries and Heritage as line manager for this post to agree personal objectives, short and long term strategic priorities for the ALH service, budget and staff management issues and to evaluate the success of ALH projects and operations.

Attend and actively contribute to fortnightly meetings of the Library & Heritage Service Senior Management Team to co-ordinate the ALH operational and marketing plans with the rest of the Library & Heritage service

Regular contact with managers and senior managers across CYC to advise, influence and persuade them of the value of adopting best practice in managing CYC's records of permanent value to maintain the archive, and to meet consequent Freedom of Information and Data Protection requirements.

Attend and contribute to monthly briefings for the Executive Member for

Leisure, Culture and Children's Services.

Regular contact with CYC press officers to brief them on upcoming news stories from the ALH service which can be used to raise the profile of the service, assist fundraising and encourage public use of the service.

External

Regular contact with Trustees of YALHDT as a group at their regular formal meetings and on a one-to-one basis outside formal meetings to support, advise and guide them in their decision-making and fund-raising activities, including tactfully reconciling any Trustee project proposals with professional best practice and funding bodies' strategic priorities.

Regular contact (at least once a month and usually more frequently) with local history and volunteer groups to negotiate support partnerships for the ALH service, and to publicise the work of the ALH service, including tactfully reconciling any volunteer project proposals with professional best practice and the ALH service's strategic priorities.

Regular contact (at least six-monthly) with the senior heritage professionals in other heritage and archive bodies in York (primarily the University of York, York Museums Trust, York Minster, National Railway Museum and the York Civic Trust) to identify and negotiate opportunities for project and fundraising partnerships, and to anticipate and resolve at an early stage any potential conflicts that may arise from policy or operational overlaps between the ALH service and other local heritage organisations.

Six-monthly contact with representative users and non-users of ALH services to obtain feedback on the standards and range of ALH public services, to address user and non-user concerns about the service, and to evaluate the success of ALH development projects from the users' perspective.

Six-monthly contact with the regional representatives of the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) and the Museums, Libraries & Archives Council (MLA) to positively influence their understanding of the ALH service's strategic and cultural objectives and thus assist CYC to submit funding applications to HLF and MLA which have a high potential for success.

Ad hoc contact with representatives of external funding bodies (e.g. grant-making trusts and foundations) to identify and negotiate fundraising and development partnerships which simultaneously advance the ALH Development Plan and meet the business objectives of the external funding body.

Regular contact (at least annually) with the relevant professional and regulatory bodies (e.g. The National Archives; Society of Archivists, National Council on Archives; CILIP; CIPFA) to provide information and statistics on ALH service operations, and to represent the ALH service in regional and national policy consultations on archives and local studies issues.

6. **DECISIONS – discretion & consequences**

Discretion

Within the broad strategic objectives of the current ALH Development Plan as agreed by the Executive, the jobholder has wide ranging discretion to initiate and develop contacts with potential external partners and to recommend development proposals for acceptance to the EMAP for LCCS.

Subject to statutory requirements, the Council's and nationally determined policies, procedures and standards, the jobholder has wide-ranging discretion to require anyone wishing to gain access to any part of the ALH collections to conform with whatever security procedures and/or restrictions on access are required to prevent loss of, damage to or unacceptable use of the collections, or to prevent contraventions of the Councils obligations under Data Protection, Freedom of Information and other archives legislation.

The jobholder is responsible for the day to day management of the ALH revenue budget of approximately £180k including authorising overtime and expenditure on travel, subsistence and purchase orders, and managing income-generating operations. The jobholder is also responsible for devising the annual operating plan for the ALH service, including making recommendations to the Head of Libraries and Heritage for the level of staff and non-staff revenue budgets required.

Consequences

The jobholder's operational decisions on staffing, expenditure and access to the collections will directly enhance the experience of service users and the wider perception of the CYC ALH service as an open and accessible service which is attractive to external development partners.

The jobholder's decisions and recommendations for development proposals will significantly enhance the financial resources available to the Library & Heritage Service over and above the recurrent revenue budget.

7. RESOURCES – financial & equipment

(Not budget, and not including desktop equipment.)

Description

Value

CYC Archives collections comprising 400 cubic metres of

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unique and irreplaceable historic documents

dating from the 11th Century to the present day £8m (insurance value)

CYC Local History Collections

comprising 130 m³ of rare publications

and images £1m (insurance value)

Cash & cheques (donations & sales) c.£300 monthly

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8. WORK ENVIRONMENT – work demands, physical demands, working conditions & work context

Work demands

The jobholder will be required to manage and balance conflicting deadlines, priorities and requests for information arising from the extensive range of internal and external stakeholders in the service.

Physical demands

The jobholder will occasionally be required to physically move individual boxes and rolls of archival documents into and out of storage areas.

Working conditions

The jobholder will normally work in an office environment, with occasional days of work in chilled storage areas.

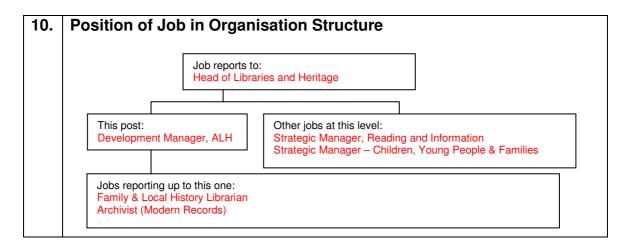
Work context

The work involves minimal risk to personal safety or injury, illness or health problems arising from the environment or the public.

9. KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

- Professional (graduate/postgraduate) qualification in archives administration or librarianship.
- Developed personal research and learning skills which will allow the jobholder to rapidly accumulate the specialist historical and local government knowledge required to function effectively as senior professional in charge of the city archives.
- Knowledge of the core legal and regulatory issues which affect the operation of a local government archives and local history service and public access to information held by the service, in particular the operation of Freedom of Information, Data Protection and Public Records legislation.
- Knowledge of the various local, regional and national governmental and professional bodies which may have an impact on the operation and development of a local government archives and local history service.
- Experience of managing a specialist team or teams delivering information services directly to the public, including staff development, setting team and individual objectives, operational planning, and budget management.
- Experience of negotiating with external bodies to set up service delivery or development partnerships, using tact and diplomacy to create a partnership which delivers mutual benefit.
- Experience of writing successful external funding applications.
- Experience of managing discrete capital or revenue projects from development through to implementation and post-implementation evaluation.
- Excellent written and verbal communication and interpersonal skills, including the ability to appropriately tailor communications styles to a wide variety of audiences.

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Job Description agreed by:	Name:	Signature:	Date:
Job Holder			
Manager			