

Finance Manager

Job Title: Finance Manager

Job Purpose: To maintain the finance function of BHCC prudently such that this underpins the organisation delivering and developing high quality, sustainable and effective services.

Salary: £30,099 full time, pro rata for part time

Contract: Permanent

Location: Brentry and Henbury Children's Centres, Bristol

Reporting to: Senior Leadership Team

Responsible for: Business Support Team

Hours of work: 20 hours per week (occasional evening and weekend work as appropriate and hours might be negotiable), 52 weeks per year

Key responsibilities of the role include:

- Managing budgets, monitoring and reporting on the financial situation of the organisation including the production and analysis of the monthly Management Accounts
- Leading on income generation to ensure the organisation takes up all possible options to develop services cost effectively
- Overseeing the production, analysis and accessibility of financial data for use by internal and external partners
- To undertake additional duties and responsibilities as required, commensurate with the role.

Duties and responsibilities include, but are not confined to the following:

- To prepare the year end accounts and records for independent examination, assist the external accountant with the completion of the financial statements, and complete the annual returns for Companies House and the Charity Commission
- To support the development and compilation of the annual budget, monthly management accounts and forecasts in collaboration with the Senior Leadership Team
- Monitor, evaluate and interpret financial performance as compared to budgets and latest forecasts, including providing information and updates to budget holders and the Senior Leadership Team
- Ensure that income and expenditure are properly managed and accounted for in accordance with accounting rules and applicable regulations
- To administer payroll procedures to ensure all staff are paid correctly. In house training can be provided.
- Oversight of financial duties carried out by staff within the Business Support Team, such as banking, petty cash reconciliation, payroll administration, credit control, including management of repayment plans

- Managing the Business Support Team effectively to ensure they can fulfil their roles efficiently including providing inductions, supervision, appraisals and performance management and responding to individual training and development needs.
- Debt management including management of repayment plans.
- Responsible for monitoring of and ensuring compliance with all financial controls ensuring all risks are mitigated, as far as is possible
- Support on identifying and generating income, enabling the organisation to further enhance key service provision e.g. capitalising on all income streams, income from building hire, all income due received
- Maintain a focus and lead on ensuring cost-effectiveness obtaining value for money on the purchase of goods and services
- Completion of all financial reporting to external organisations as required
- To maintain, and amend where necessary, financial procedures and administrative systems to ensure accurate capture of financial information as required
- To undertake additional duties and responsibilities as required, commensurate with the role

Individual Specification

Key attributes:

- Exemplary professional standards, sound business judgement and clear decision making based on thorough analysis and attention to detail
- Willingness to take responsibility whilst working in a collaborative and diplomatic manner with colleagues, the wider team and partners
- Excellent communication and presentation skills both orally and in the written word
- Strong organisational skills teamed with flexibility and a pragmatic approach to problem solving
- Highly motivated, persistent and innovative in responding to challenges in a constantly changing financial environment
- Committed to delivering a high quality services for local families

Experience and Skills

Essential

- 1. Experience of maintaining the entire accounting function of a business using SAGE accounting software
- 2. Demonstrable experience and competence of operating Excel software
- 3. Experience in production of monthly management accounts and annual budgets
- 4. Experience in managing a significant budget and use of financial management systems
- 5. Knowledge of relevant accounting rules
- 6. Proven experience in presenting concise clear financial reports and robust business proposals
- 7. An ability to prioritise work, manage time and ensure targets and deadlines are met
- 8. Evidence of a working knowledge of the Data Protection regulations and their application in the work place

Desirable

- 1. Experience of working in the public sector or voluntary organisations
- 2. Knowledge of government legislation related to Children's Centre Services including Ofsted guidance and requirements
- 3. Knowledge of education funding and tax-free childcare system

- 4. An understanding of the workings and responsibilities of a board of trustees and voluntary organisation
- 5. Evidence of a commitment to continuing professional development, research and best practice

Educational Requirements

Essential

1. AAT Qualification, part-qualified ACCA, ACA or CIMA, or equivalent experience

Desirable

- 1. Evidence of relevant Post Graduate Study
- 2. Evidence of Professional Development

Additional Requirements

This role will cover multiple locations and the need may arise for some travel as part of the role.

General

So far as is reasonably practicable, the post holder must ensure that safe working practices are adopted by employees, and in premises/work areas for which the post holder is responsible, to maintain a safe working environment for employees and service users. These are defined in BHCC policies.

Work in compliance with the Codes of Conduct and Regulations outlined in BHCC Employee Handbook and its commitment to equal opportunities.

Ensure that output and quality of work is of a high standard and complies with current legislation/expectations.

Application Information

To apply, please complete an Application Form which can be found on our website at: http://bhchildrenscentre.org.uk/job-board/ and email it to us at: brentry@bhchildrenscentre.org.uk/

For further information please call 0117 959 3800 Interview date: To be confirmed

Ideal Start date: As soon as possible

Equal Opportunities

BHCC is an equal opportunities employer. We welcome applications from people of all backgrounds including exoffenders. We can only accept applications from candidates who have the right to work in the UK.

Application Form

Candidates are asked to complete all the standard information required on the application form, addressing all of the criteria identified at application stage. Your application may not be shortlisted if there are gaps which have not been identified, or if you have not addressed the essential and desirable criteria.

Selection Procedure

The selection will be by a panel of our Senior Leadership Team. Shortlisted candidates will be given more details.

References

Two references will be required in all cases, both being professional and one being from your current/most recent employer. In accordance with Safer Recruitment references will be requested immediately after shortlisting. The offer of employment will be subject to BHCC receiving two satisfactory professional references and an enhanced DBS check.