Pennington Parish Council

Recruitment Policy

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Introduction

Pennington Parish Council is an equal opportunities employer and applies a professional approach to recruitment.

The Recruitment Process

- 1. Any vacancy will be advertised in the public domain using one or all of the following:
- a) Parish Council website.
- b) Parish Council notice-board.
- c) Community Chat Publication.
- d) Cumbria Association of Local Councils.
- 2. All persons seeking a position will be required to complete an appropriate job application form including the provision of references.
- 3. All prospective employees will be provided with a Job Description and Person Specification.
- 4. Applicants will only be considered on their ability to meet the requirements of the position being sought.
- 5. The filling of the position of Parish Council Clerk will be the responsibility of a designated 'working group' of council members.
- 6. Applicants will be shortlisted for interview and interviews will subsequently be held.
- 7. All interviewees will be considered under the selection criteria.
- 8. The offer of a position will be subject to the receipt of satisfactory references and will be made in writing.
- 9. Successful applicants will be provided with a Contract of Employment.
- 10. Salary will be commensurate with nationally agreed terms and conditions of service.
- 11. There will be an initial trial period of 13 weeks, after which there will be a review.
- 12. There will then follow an acceptance period of a further 3 months.
- 13. It is aimed that staff appraisals will be conducted annually.
- 14. All employment will be subject to English Employment Law.
- 15. This policy will be reviewed annually, unless required earlier by legislation or additional material.