RICHMONDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICE JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB	Environmental Health	POST	ENVT EHO
TITLE	Officer (Commercial)	NUMBER	04

MAIN PURPOSE OF JOB:

To carry out the full range of environmental health work in relation to their function.

To carry out other environmental health functions within the scope of the EHS as and when required.

SUPERVISORY/MANAGERIAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

To supervise the work of technical officers working on related activities.

SUPERVISION AND GUIDANCE:

Responsible to the Environmental Health Team Leader and Environmental Health and Housing Options Manager in relation to their function.

Responsible for the work of Technical Officers in relation to their function.

RANGE OF DECISION MAKING:

Inspecting and auditing premises and activities and assessing their compliance with legislation in relation to their function and deciding and implementing a course of action following the inspection or audit in line with the officer's level of authorisation.

Investigation of requests for service and deciding and implementing an appropriate course of action.

The service of notices in their own name in accordance with the Councils' Schemes of Delegation and the Environmental Health Service's enforcement policies and procedures.

Recommendations to the Environmental Health and Housing Options Manager for the institution of legal proceedings. Preparation of evidence and presentation in court.

Evaluation of information received or obtained in relation to their function and deciding on appropriate courses of action.

Representing the EHS at Council meetings, working groups and relevant outside organisations in relation to the work of the EHS.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR ASSETS, BUDGETS, MATERIALS, ETC:Responsible for security of issued equipment and materials

Responsible for accuracy of the collection, recording and storage of information.

RANGE OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Officers or other trainees where required. • To carry out the full range of Environmental Health Functions
 under statutory and non-statutory provisions for which the Service has responsibilities within the areas of the Richmondshire District. To carry out interventions and inspections of premises and the enforcement of legislation relevant to such inspections over the full range of environmental health including food safety, health & safety, environmental protection, animal welfare, housing standards and public health legislation administered by the Councils. To act as the Council's lead officer for food hygiene in accordance with statutory codes of practice. To provide technical and professional advice and guidance to the team in food hygiene, health and safety, public health and enforcement matters. To investigate requests for service in respect of the full range of functions of EHS. To prepare and present educational and promotional materials. To maintain current competence requirements set by the Food Standards Agency for food hygiene enforcement work, including maintaining sufficient Continuing Professional Development (CPD) time and any requirements identified by means of the Regulators Development Needs Analysis (RDNA) assessment tool. To assist with licensing and enforcement duties with regard to a range of premises and persons required to be licensed or
 registered by the Council. To respond to atmospheric and other pollution requests for service and observations and enforce legislation relevant to such incidents. To respond to consultations on planning applications and completion of Local Authority search forms.

	 To carry out such administrative duties commensurate with the post and to keep and maintain records. To operate ICT systems associated with this post. To undertake such other duties of a comparable nature and level of responsibility as may be required from time to time by the Environment Health and Housing Options Manager. To support the efficient implementation and continuing development of the service, to agreed objectives for both authorities.
Innovation and creativity	 To undertake research, prepare reports and advise the Lead Environmental Health Officer with regard to new legislation and specialised duties. To participate in the development of system improvements and keep up to date on IT developments affecting their work. To keep informed of Environmental Health issues across the work of the whole of EHS by regular exchange of information with colleagues, external contacts and through on-going training and continued professional development.
Information and communication	 To attend meetings, working groups, committees etc within the Council and with relevant outside organisations to represent the views of the Environmental Health and Housing Options Manager and the Councils as appropriate. To give professional advice to a range of stakeholders, including Councillors, members of the public, businesses etc on the requirements of statutory provisions and technical advice on practical measures to implement these provisions relevant to the postholder's duties. To organise and co-ordinate public health initiatives, special projects and educational talks to relevant stakeholders as required by the Environment Health and Housing Options Manager. To prepare reports and assist in the completion of statistical returns for statutory bodies and internal Performance Indicators, objectives and targets.
Enforcement	 To prepare and serve statutory notices in their own name in accordance with the Councils' Schemes of Delegation and EHS's enforcement policies and procedures. To take statements and gather evidence in accordance with statutory requirements and to attend court proceedings as required. The preparation of case files and give evidence in court should legal proceedings result from the duties of the postholder.

CONTACTS:

The postholder will be expected to have contact with:
Councillors (County, District, Town, Parish)
Members of the public
Business representatives
All Council Officers
Representatives of other Local Authorities
Representatives of other public bodies
Legal representatives
Government Agencies

The Press

Representatives of Yorkshire Water and Northumbrian Water

	COMPILED BY: Sonia Bagshaw	ASSESSMENT DATE:
SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SERVICE: None	COMPILED DATE: 01/102019	ASSESSED BY:
		POST GRADE:

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agreed by postholder	Date