



### Peer Advocacy Coach Job Description and Application Pack



## **Be Heard in South Glos**





What is 'Be Heard in South Glos?'

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Be Heard in South Glos is a selfadvocacy and peer advocacy project which aims to increase the independence and self-advocacy skills of adults with learning disabilities.

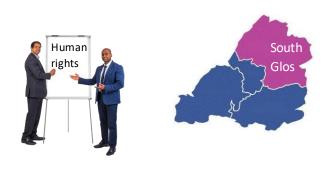


Self-Advocacy is being able to speak up for yourself and tell people what you want and need. People who self-advocate can make their own complaints.



Peer advocacy is having support to speak up for yourself from someone who has similar experiences as you.

Peer advocacy can happen as a group or one to one.



Be Heard in South Glos is receiving funding from the Learning Disability Partnership Fund to deliver self-advocacy training and 1:1 self-advocacy coaching sessions across South Gloucestershire.



#### What duties does a Peer Advocacy Coach have?



To make and present our self advocacy training for adults with learning disabilities and professionals.



To design 'Be Heard in South Glos' leaflets, videos and posters for our social media and website.

To go to groups and talk about the project to others.



To treat all people with respect and dignity.

To promote equality.



To attend supervision every 6 weeks and team meetings when required.



#### What skills does a Peer Advocacy Coach need?

I told my GP they needed to give me information in easy read.

You need to be confident and able to speak in front of a group of people. You must have learning disabilities and be able to share your experience and knowledge with others.



You need to be good at listening and like to talk to people and help them.



To be able to share your own ideas for our workshops and challenge how we do things at SWAN.



To be enthusiastic about the project and work in partnership with our advocate.



## What are the details of employment?



The position is paid £10.50 an hour.



The position is on a casual worker agreement. This means you get paid for the hours you work.



Your office will be at the White House Business Centre in Kingswood, Bristol.



SWAN will work with you to ensure you are safe at work. This means you will do our training and a risk assessment to keep you safe.



### How do you apply for the Peer Advocacy Coach job?



You can apply by sending us your CV and a cover letter which tell us why you would like the role by email or post.



You can have a phone call with our staff member and tell them about who you are, your skills, what experience you have and why you are applying for the post.



You can have a video call with our staff member and tell them about who you are, your skills, what experience you have and why you are applying for the post.



#### What happens next?

Applications close on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> of July.

Once you have applied, we will decide if you have been chosen to attend our assessment workshop.



The Be Heard in South Glos Assessment Workshop will take place on Wednesday 21 July.



Our assessment workshop will be two hours long with a break.



You will work in partnership with other people who are applying for the job and take part in group activities.





You will have an opportunity to speak with our Head of Services, Jacob, and Supervising Advocate Louise, about the project and how you have found the assessment workshop.



After your assessment workshop has finished, the workshop leaders and the Head of Service will talk about how people got on and decide who will be the Peer Advocacy Coach for the 'Be Heard in South Glos' project.







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