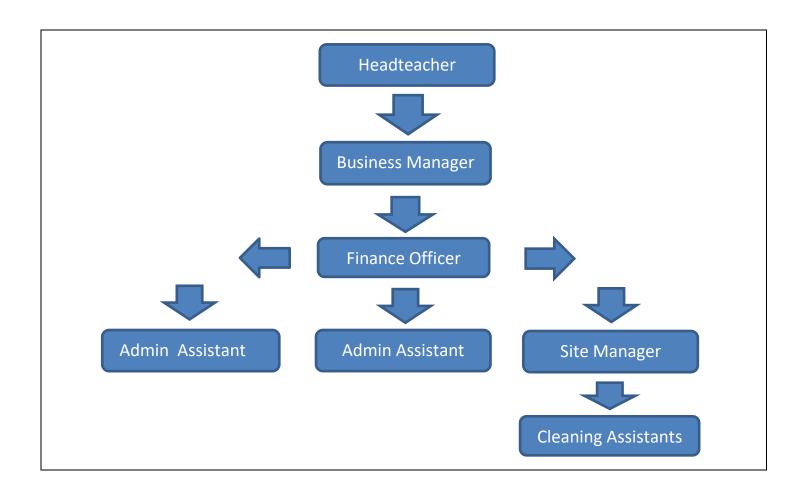
Local Job Description – Finance Officer

Post title:	Finance Officer
School:	The Key Education Centre
Grade:	Grade E/F (depending on experience)
Reports to:	Business Manager
Role Purpose:	To lead and support the Administrative team, HR function and provide financial planning and monitoring of the school budget.

Details of reporting structure



Accountabilities

- Support the Business Manager in preparing, managing and monitoring the annually allocated budget.
- Manage the day to day transactional operation of finance, including budget monitoring, raising orders and petty cash
- Monitoring the Centre income, including raising invoices and Internal Trading Documents
- Provide advice and support to budget holders on monitoring budgets for which they are responsible for
- Prepare regular financial accounting reports for the Business Manager
- Assist with tendering exercises, ensuring best value & cost effectiveness for the school in the provision of goods and services
- Develop and maintain an extensive range of customer/colleague contacts to develop and improve services and use of resources
- Manage HR functions including recruitment, pre-employment checks and absence recording
- Process appropriate HR forms including salary and travel claims
- Leading and supporting the Admin and Site Team, including regular IPP performance management reviews, establishing training and development needs and holding regular team meetings
- Assist with the appointment of new staff
- Comply with HCC Financial regulations

Necessary role-related knowledge, skills and experience

- Strong financial experience, including successfully managing financial functions, a secure understanding of purchasing regulations and sound budgetary control
- Strong HR experience, including successfully managing staff, leading and developing administrative functions
- Self-motivated with excellent communication skills and a high level of initiative
- Computer literacy with experience of using a variety of software for data management
- Excellent organisational and time management skills
- Flexible and adaptable approach with a high level of accuracy
- Competent user of Microsoft Office, especially excel
- A minimum Level 5 (GCSE or equivalent) qualification in English and Maths at grade C of above

Desirable role-related knowledge, skills and experience

- Experience of delivering a wide range of administrative functions in a school setting
- Knowledge of Hampshire County Council IBC Portal, and HCSS Budgeting Tool
- Experience in the use of SIMS
- Knowledge of school & County procedures, and financial regulations

The Key decision making areas in the role

- Budget planning with Business Manager
- Spending up to the delegated authority level
- Purchasing/choosing suppliers
- Staff Management
- Achievement of Best Value, including income sourcing, taking initiative on cost-cutting and fund raising

The role dimensions

- Support the Business Manager in preparing, managing and monitoring the annually allocated budget, including at delegated department level.
- Leading and supporting the Admin and Site Team
- Some cash handling

The main contacts

- Internal staff, governors, parents, pupils and other schools on a daily basis
- HCC departments, Personnel, Finance, IT, Property Services
- Contractors and suppliers
- External businesses/partners and the public

Working conditions

- Office based working environment
- Desktop PC
- Manual handling objects up to 5kg, less than a daily requirement
- Verbal abuse and/or aggression

This job description can be reviewed and may be subject to modification or amendment at any time after consultation with the post holder.