JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Customer Advisor
Team:	Group Business Support Team
Reports to:	Customer Advice Team Leader
Salary Grade:	6
JD Last Reviewed	March 2021
Role Last Evaluated	November 2021

OVERVIEW OF THE ROLE

The primary purpose of the role holder will be to provide front line advice and support services to internal and external customers in response to enquiries from a variety of contact methods including phone, letter, face to face and digitally by email and social media.

The role holder will be expected to deliver their duties while behaving in line with the organisation's stated values.

The role holder will be specifically accountable for the effective delivery of the following technical/specialist functions:

- Customer Advice Service
- Reception Service
- Customer Service Administrative Support
- Housing & Responsive Repairs Administrative Support
- General Business Administration Support

The role holder will be expected to contribute to effective team working and provide high quality customer service.

CORE AREAS OF WORK & KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES

Areas of Work	Key Accountabilities (you will be held accountable for)
Customer Advice Service	Providing accurate advice to customers at first point of contact using a variety of contact methods or signposting to other departments when applicable
	 Completing relevant follow up actions in set timeframes using the correct processes
Reception Service	 Dealing with all received customer and visitor enquiries accurately and at first point of contact Processing incoming payments received accurately
	Processing visitors into the office using the correct procedures
Customer Advice Team Administrative Support	Delivering all designated routine business administration tasks relating to customer service and customer contact accurately and to set deadlines
	 Logging received customer service complaints in line with organisational policy and procedures and where possible resolving at first contact
	 Sending out satisfaction surveys to timeframes set and accurately recording returns
Responsive Repairs Administrative Support	Ensuring administration of key management including collection and ordering is carried out effectively
	Dealing with general enquiries (including non- standard repair requests)
	Scheduling property inspections correctly
	 Processing allocated incoming repairs invoices in set time scales
	 Processing allocated repair charges accurately and in set timescales
	 Carrying out allocated debt recovery tasks in line with policy and procedures
Housing Administrative Support	Logging anti -social behaviour complaints received in line with organisational policy and procedures
General Business Administration Support	Carrying out delegated routine administration tasks for the PoLHA Group accurately to set deadlines, including general record keeping, filing, production of statistics, survey management, mail management and distribution and data entry

Areas of Work	Key Accountabilities (you will be held accountable for)
Health and Safety Management	Taking reasonable care of the health and safety of themselves and others, in accordance with the organisation's policies and procedures.
Tenant and Customer Participation	Encouraging and supporting opportunities for tenants and other customers to influence service and performance improvement

COMPREHENSIVE PERSON SPECIFICATION CUSTOMER ADVISOR	
KNOWLEDGE:	
Working knowledge of customer service practices	E
Knowledge of Common Housing Application process for Edinburgh – EDINDEX and Choice Based Lets	D
Basic knowledge of housing benefits, universal credit	D
Good working knowledge of housing legislation and best practice	D
ABILITIES/COMPETENCIES	
Personal Effectiveness	
Able to positively challenge at all levels of the organisation	D
Well-developed communication skills	E
Ability to build and sustain effective working relationships	E
Functional/Technical	
Excellent organisational skills, able to plan own work and deliver to targets.	E
Excellent communication skills (oral and written), able to draft clear, detailed but succinct emails letters	Е
Able to interpret policy/procedures to resolve problems.	E
Able to work as part of a team contributing to team discussion and overall team performance.	Е
Able to comment on process and recommend improvements.	D
Able to communicate assertively particularly when in pressured situations.	Е
Able to use Microsoft Word, Outlook, Teams and Excel effectively.	E

COMPREHENSIVE PERSON SPECIFICATION CUSTOMER ADVISOR	
PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES:	
Passionate about delivery of excellent customer service and follows principle of getting it right first time	E
A flexible and adaptable approach interested in continuous improvement of the service	Е
Inquisitive mind that follows problems through to their conclusion	E
Can work unsupervised	E
Self-motivated	E
Takes personal responsibility for decisions and actions	E
Committed to living the values of the Association	Е
TRACK RECORD/EXPERIENCE	
Experience (typically 1 year +) of working in a customer service environment in a customer services or housing setting and delivering a consistently excellent customer service	Ш
Experience of using a full range of Microsoft Office software package and a core housing/customer services IT system	Е
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT/ QUALIFICATIONS	
Educated to at least Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework Level 5 (SVQ2)	Е
PROFESSIONAL BODY MEMBERSHIP	
N/A	
OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ROLE	
N/A	