WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL	Job Description			Job Reference
Job Title	Social Worker ASYE– Adult Social Care			
Service	Adult Social Care and Health	Team	Adult Social Care and Safeguarding	
Location	Resource House			
Reports to	Senior Social Worker			
Responsible for	None			

Grade NRSG1 SCP29

This job description has been designed to indicate the general nature and level of work required of the post to indicate the level of responsibility. It is not a comprehensive or exhaustive list and the line manager may vary duties from time to time which do not change the general character of the job, or the level of responsibility entailed.

Service Purpose

Adult social care provides a range of interventions to adults who need extra support to stay healthy, play a part in their community and lead as fulfilling a life as possible. The service provides personalised, practical support to help people whose needs arise from mental illness, disability, old age and social disadvantage. It preserves dignity and keeps people independent. People who need care should have the choice, flexibility, and control to live their lives the way they want.

Purpose of the role

To work within the relevant legal frameworks, guidance, policies, and procedures to undertake assessments, reviews and support planning with individuals and their carers, promoting well-being, independence and safety. To enable people to identify their own needs and the outcomes they wish to achieve and to implement and review support plans to meet these needs and to liaise with other professional/agencies as required.

ASYE

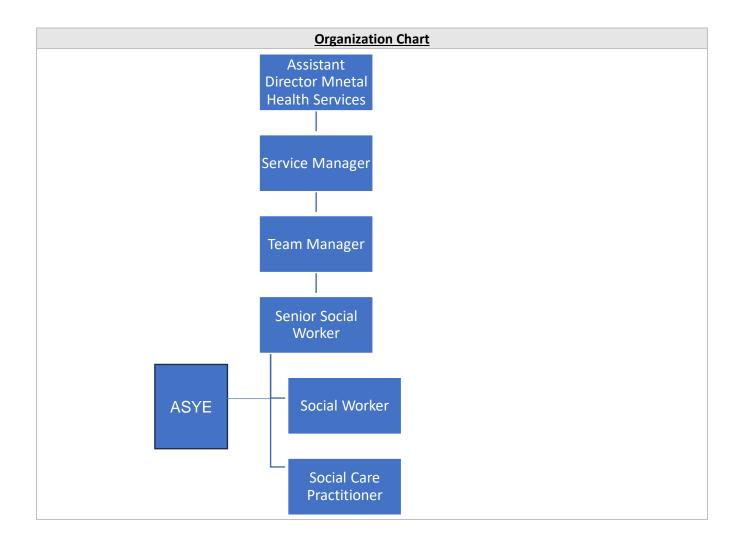
The Assessed and Supported Year in Employment (ASYE) is a 12-month program for newly qualified social workers (NQSWs) to help them develop their skills and confidence in a supported environment. The program is divided into four stages:

- Foundational review: The first three months
- Interim review and assessment: Three to six months
- Progressive development meeting: Nine months
- Final review and assessment: Six to twelve months

Within this framework ASYE practitioners will have a reduced caseload and work with customers who are less complicated. And a dedicated ASYE Assessor who will support the practitioner through the process.

	Main Accountabilities			
1	To work in accordance with the Care Act 2014 to assess, review or reassess complex needs of customers and their carers, offering advice and guidance and access to support services in line with their eligible needs, with an emphasis on health, safety and wellbeing for vulnerable individuals and those that care for them.			
2	To adopt a strengths-based approach to the role and maintain a professional and respectful working relationship with individual customers and carers. To work in a person-centered way, ensuring that individual dignity is maintained, cultural background and communication needs are addressed, and choices and aspirations are listened to and acknowledged			
3	To undertake risk assessments and formulate risk management plans, having regard for the safety of customers and others, whilst promoting independence and supporting positive risk enablement where appropriate.			
4	To identify and/or make enquiries concerning any allegations of potential abuse or neglect of adults with care and support needs with a view to the development and implementation of safeguarding plans which maintain their safety, and the safety of others, within the multi-agency safeguarding adults procedures.			
5	To interpret and analyze varied and complex information or situations and work with relevant others to create solutions			
6	To work collaboratively with individuals, their carers, families, and other stakeholders to gather information for the purpose of assessing and reviewing the individual's needs and in order to identify the best options available to meet the identified needs			
7	To develop and maintain an understanding of legislation, policy, procedure and guidance relevant to the role and to apply these to all work undertaken.			
8	To effectively manage time, priorities, workload and conflicting pressures and escalate if appropriate			
9	To establish professional relationships with relevant stakeholders including voluntary services to enable collaborative multiagency working, exploration of new innovative ways of working, and encourage an open and transparent dialogue.			
10	To actively engage in MDT meetings and contribute to the Integrated Mental Health Service.			
11	To be accountable for completing and maintaining accurate and up to date records by using electronic case recording systems to ensure that records are maintained in a timely manner and in accordance with Council procedures, statutory legislation and General Data Protection Regulations			
12	To proactively engage in relevant meetings and 1:1's and contribute to the development of the service.			
13	To maintain continuous professional development and uphold professional standards in accordance with the standards set by the professional governing body, and to maintain appropriate professional registration.			
14	To contribute to the professional development of less experienced workers, and where appropriate of students, by means of mentoring/coaching and shadowing			

15	To have awareness of the social, political and financial environment the council operates within and appropriately respond to this.		
16	Where mutually agreeable, and as part of a personal development plan or professional development, some staff may undertake supervision of less experienced staff.		
17	To work across	To work across the ASC service as needed to meet the demands of the service.	
Superv	Supervision Received Senior Social Worker at least every 4 weeks		
Supervision GivenNo formal supervisory responsibilities, but contribute to the professional development of less experienced workers by means of mentoring/coaching and shadowing			
Contacts & Working Relationships		Members of the community, Team members, other council services, Voluntary Sector, Care Providers, Commissioning teams, colleagues in Health, Police staff, Fire Services, Finance colleagues	
Management of resources or budget		No direct responsibility for budget but contributes to meeting assessed needs of individuals in the most cost-effective manner.	
Special Factors		 Ability to be able to travel and work in a variety of locations as required Required to make home/hospital visits Enhanced DBS required with a check of the barring list 	



Person Specification				
Qualifications				
Essential	Desirable			
Professional Social Work qualification	Approved Mental Health Professional qualification			
Full EU driving license (and access to daily use of a car)				
Current registration to professional governing body -				
Social Work England				
Willingness to undertake continuous professional				
development				
Technical Skills				
Essential	Desirable			
Strong IT skills including proficient user of Microsoft				
Office and client record systems				
Assessment skills				
Analytical skills				
Report writing				
Knowledge, Skills and Abilities				
Essential	Desirable			
Good working knowledge of the statutory framework				
for the relevant care group and of an appropriate range				
of professional interventions				

Private: Information that contains a small amount of sensitive data which is essential to communicate with an individual but doesn't require to be sent via secure methods.

Experience		
Essential	Desirable	
Experience in a Social Care or health care environment.		
Demonstrable experience of managing risk in a social		
care or health setting		
Demonstrable experience in interpreting and analysing		
varied and complex information to produce solutions		
Demonstrable experience in undertaking assessment of		
complex needs		
Demonstrable experience in effective communication		
with colleagues, service users, families and other		
professionals		
Experience in influencing and negotiating		

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