



CHILD AND ADOLESCENT COUNSELLOR / THERAPIST

The Bridge is a Support Centre based in the heart of Selsey and managed by the charity Youth Dream (Selsey). It opened in April 2015 providing services for young people under 18 and in 2017 added a second service for adults following the success of the youth work and an identified need for adult support.

Due to our current post holder moving on to pastures new, we are seeking a part-time counsellor to work with us and our partners to provide counselling to young people identified as needing support. Most of our clients attend The Academy, Selsey secondary school but we also help Selsey young people who may attend other schools.

The Bridge also provides educational support, as well as gardening and allotment growing opportunities for young people.

We are a small team that often needs to react quickly to needs of young people and provide support in a variety of ways.

If you feel that you have the skills that we are looking for then we would love to hear from you.

Hours:

This post is 22.5 hours per week, including supervision time but excluding overtime, term time only. Where clients are committed and attend during holiday periods, overtime may be requested in advance and will be paid at an hourly rate.

There is flexibility over the number of days worked in a week and the number of hours worked each day but main hours will be during school opening hours (8.30am to 3.00pm.)

Annual Leave:

You are entitled to 25 days' paid holiday per year (full-time equivalent 37.5 hours) in a holiday year which runs from 1st April to 31st March. Part-time employees accrue annual holiday and bank holiday entitlement on a pro-rata basis against the number of hours worked.

Place of Work:

Your normal place of work is The Bridge, School Lane, Selsey, or at such other place as Youth Dream may require. In addition, Youth Dream may require you to travel in the course of the proper performance of your duties.

Pension:

Youth Dream undertakes to pay a sum equal to 3% of your gross annual salary into a pension scheme nominated by you and approved by Youth Dream.

You are also required to make a payment into this pension scheme (usually 4% of your gross salary).

Well-being:

Youth Dream provides mentors for low level well-being support and this post will advise mentors where there are any specific areas of issues, in conjunction with the Bridge Manager. The post holder will support those more complicated cases and make referrals to CAMHs as required.

Safe-guarding:

The post holder will follow the highest standard of safe-guarding and contribute as and when required to the Safeguarding Policy. The post holder will make MASH, CAMHs, IPEH and other appropriate referrals as required.

Supervision:

Youth Dream will fund supervision dependent on the needs of the post holder.

Membership and Registration:

The post holder is required to maintain their own registration and membership of their affiliated organisations.

DBS

This role will be subject to a full DBS check before employment commences.

Working with us

We are a small team consisting of the Manager (Youth Services), the Manager (Adult Services), a part-time office administrator, an Education Officer, an Environmental Officer, a Youth Worker and YOU! If you think you can muck in as part of the team, helping to support young people in Selsey then we want to hear from you.

For an informal chat and visit please call Kim Long on 01243 608943 or email kimlong@youthdream.co.uk