

MAPPA Lay Adviser Thames Valley Area

Closing date: Official applications to be received by 07/06/2021 9am

Date of interviews: Beginning of July 2021

Number of Vacancies 1

Location Thames Valley (Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire & Berkshire)

Vacancy description

This is an exciting opportunity for a Lay Advisor to Thames Valley Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA). We welcome and encourage applications from all groups in our local communities. MAPPA is a mechanism through which agencies can better discharge their statutory responsibilities and protect the public in a co-ordinated manner. The MAPPA agencies must be free from discrimination and committed to equal access to services for all groups. Lay Advisers are consulted in respect of the review of MAPPA functions and in monitoring the effectiveness of MAPPA and any changes made in order to bring about improvement. It is important that the Lay Adviser has strong and sustained connection with the community that they will be representing. Therefore, applications are sought from residents of the Thames Valley area.

In order to preserve the lay status of those who are appointed to the role, certain people are ineligible for appointment, including MPs, local authority councilors, MOJ/Home Office employees or anyone already operating in MAPPA in a professional capacity

Person specification

No formal educational qualifications are necessary but must be able to understand complex information in written and numerical form.

Interest in community and social issues, preferably with a track record of involvement in them. Capacity for emotional resilience, retaining sensitivity whilst dealing with tragic or painful human situations. This includes an ability to understand the needs and feelings of both victims and offenders.

Good social skills.

Able to work effectively with people in groups and in formal meetings.

An awareness of and commitment to equality and diversity.

Able to challenge, constructively, the views and assumptions of senior professionals.

Able to maintain confidentiality appropriate to the circumstances and local protocols.

Job Description

Attend each MAPPA Strategic Management Board (SMB) meeting, held quarterly.

Contribute to the monitoring and evaluation of the operation of MAPPA in Thames Valley Area

Attend a level 2 or 3 MAPP meeting quarterly, to assist in understanding the process and to enabling the monitoring and evaluation of MAPPA.

Confirm that the SMB has created effective links with other multi-agency forums, e.g. the Local Criminal Justice Board and the Local Safeguarding Children Boards.

Assist in the preparation of the MAPPA annual report.

Participate in any SMB sub-groups, working parties or projects.

Participate in reviewing the SMB Business Plan and broader communication strategy.

Participate in reviewing and questioning local MAPPA statistics.

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Attend local and regional events with the agreement of the Responsible Authority (Police, Probation, Prison Service).

Time Requirements Be able to provide up to 8 hours a month (but not more than 16 hours per month) to the SMB

Remuneration Lay Advisers are voluntary public appointments and are unpaid.

Additional Information: The successful candidate will be required to undergo vetting

How to Apply: Contact the CentralMappaUnit@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk for an application pack. Please return the completed pack to MAPPA Co-ordinator, via the above email by the closing date (07/06/2021 9am). Alternatively, you can return the pack via post to Central MAPPA Unit, Thames Valley Police HQ, Oxford Spires Business Park, Kidlington, Oxfordshire, OX5 1NZ.

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