

# **Position Description** Coordinator Library Services

Classification	Level 7
Status	Permanent full-time
Reports to	Manager Community Development
Position Objective	Provide leadership, direction and effective coordination of the Town's library service.
Last Review Date	September 2024

### About the Team

The Town's Library Services is an important community and cultural hub that supports the information, literacy, lifelong learning, and recreational needs of the community to build community capacity and connection.

# **Role Responsibilities**

- Meet the needs of the local community through the effective and efficient management and development of contemporary, relevant and quality library services
- Oversee the Library and Information Services policies, programs and plans to support the educational, literacy, information, cultural and recreational needs of the community in line with agreed service level targets and budget.
- Lead and develop library staff to ensure high levels of performance in a customer focused environment.
- Manage and develop the library's digital, print and local history collections using best practice and ensuring the Town's collections are relevant, accessible and curated in accordance with relevant standards, policies and procedures
- Oversee the provision of an effective information handling service as a "gateway for information for library patrons.
- Develop quality procedures and introduce a programme of continuous improvement aligned with agreed service levels.
- Prepare relevant documentation as required such as Council and Committee reports, business plans, briefing papers, quarterly reports, statistical reports and grant applications as required.
- Oversee the maintenance and strategic development of digital services including the library management system and digital content, website and social media, contract and vendor management, software licensing, and the library catalogue as well as the enhancement of interactive service delivery.
- Assist the Manager Community Development in the preparation of the annual library budget.
- Represent Council on approved external Committees and at professional forums as appropriate.
- Undertake tasks and projects as required by the Manager Community Development.

This position is responsible for:

- Embedding a 'safety first culture' that reflects best practice and a pro-active, consultative and values-based approach to the management of safety, health, and wellbeing in the workplace
- The implementation of work health, safety and wellbeing systems and initiatives within the Business Unit to ensure safe and healthy work sites and compliance with work health and safety legislation and the Town's WHS systems
- Maintaining a current knowledge and understanding of work health and safety responsibilities, legislation, policies, procedures, codes of practice, guidelines, standards, and best practice within similar industries

All workers must:

• Demonstrate a strong commitment to work health, safety, and wellbeing by taking care / action to ensure own safety and the safety of others by complying with WHS legislative requirements as well as Town of Bassendean policies, procedures, guidelines, instructions, and safety management systems.

# **Other Job Requirements**

The Town will assess applications and suitability against the above role responsibilities, leadership capability requirements and other requirements below.

# **Selection Criteria**

- Degree in Library and Information Science or equivalent experience and eligible for Associate Membership in the Australian Library and Information Association
- Demonstrated experience in library management and understanding of current issues and trends in the library profession
- Well demonstrated people leadership abilities to manage the team to achieve high productivity and deliver services in line with organisational values, standards and policies
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills that are adaptable to a range of environments and audiences
- Demonstrated ability to work autonomously while managing competing priorities and deadlines
- Current Working with Children Check (to be renewed every three years).

# Agreement

The details contained in this document are an accurate statement of duties, responsibilities and other requirements of the job.

As the <b>employee</b> , I have reviewed and accept the statement of duties.			
Name	Signature	Date	Checked by HR

As the **Manager** I have reviewed and confirm this is a current and relevant document.

Name	Signature	Date	Checked by HR

**Capability Requirements** The following Capability Framework describes 16 capabilities across five core groups. Together the capability groups set out the core knowledge, skills, abilities and other attributes expected of this position.

### 1. Personal Attributes

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Manage Self	<ul> <li>Demonstrates motivation to serve the community and organisation</li> </ul>
Show drive and	✓ Initiates team activity on organisation/unit projects, issues and
motivation, an	opportunities
awareness of	✓ Seeks and accepts challenging assignments and other development
strengths and	opportunities
weaknesses, and a	✓ Seeks feedback broadly and asks others for help with own
commitment to	development areas
learning	<ul> <li>✓ Translates negative feedback into an opportunity to improve</li> </ul>
Display Resilience	✓ Is flexible and readily adjusts own style and approach to suit the
and Adaptability	situation
Express own views,	✓ Adjusts tactics or priorities in response to changes in the
persevere through	organisational environment
challenges, and be	✓ Gives frank, honest advice, even in the face of strong, contrary views
flexible and willing to	✓ Accepts criticism of own ideas and responds in a thoughtful and
change	considered way
	✓ Welcomes challenges and persists in raising and working through
	difficult issues
	<ul> <li>Shows composure and decisiveness in dealing with difficult and</li> </ul>
	controversial issues
Act with Integrity	✓ Models ethical behaviour and reinforces it in others
Be honest, ethical	<ul> <li>Represents the organisation in an honest, ethical and professional</li> </ul>
and professional, and	way and sets an example for others to follow
prepared to speak up	✓ Promotes integrity, courage and professionalism inside and outside
for what is right	the organisation
	✓ Monitors ethical practices, standards and systems and reinforces their
	use
	✓ Proactively addresses ethical and people issues before they magnify
Demonstrate	$\checkmark$ Is prepared to make decisions involving tough choices and weighing of
Accountability	risks
Take responsibility	✓ Addresses situations before they become crises and identifies
for own actions,	measures to avoid recurrence
commit to safety, and	✓ Takes responsibility for outcomes, including mistakes and failures
act in line with	✓ Coaches team members to take responsibility for addressing and
legislation and policy	resolving challenging situations
	✓ Oversees implementation of safe work practices and the risk
	management framework

### Relationships 2

Communicate &	<ul> <li>Presents with credibility and engages varied audiences</li> </ul>
Engage	✓ Translates complex information concisely for diverse audiences
Communicate clearly	✓ Creates opportunities for others to contribute to discussion and debate
and respectfully,	✓ Demonstrates active listening skills, using techniques that contribute
listen, and encourage	to a deeper understanding
input from others	✓ Is attuned to the needs of diverse audiences, adjusting style and
	approach flexibly
	✓ Prepares (or coordinates preparation of) high impact written
	documents and presentations
Community &	✓ Demonstrates a thorough understanding of the interests, needs and
Customer Focus	diversity in the community
Commit to delivering	✓ Promotes a culture of quality customer service
customer and	✓ Initiates and develops partnerships with customers and the community
community focused	to define and evaluate service outcomes
services in line with	✓ Ensures that the customer is at the heart of business process design
strategic objectives	✓ Makes improvements to management systems, processes and
	practices to improve service delivery
	✓ Works towards social, environmental and economic sustainability in
	the community/region

Work	✓ Builds a culture of respect and understanding across the organisation
Collaboratively Be a	✓ Facilitates collaboration across units and recognises outcomes
respectful, inclusive	resulting from effective collaboration between teams
and reliable team	✓ Builds co-operation and overcomes barriers to sharing across the
member, collaborate	organisation
with others, and value	
diversity	across the region and sector
	✓ Models inclusiveness and respect for diversity in people, experiences
	and backgrounds
Influence &	✓ Builds and maintains professional relationships inside and outside the
Negotiate Persuade	organisation
and gain commitment	0
from others, and	and considered approach
resolve issues and	✓ Establishes a negotiation position based on a firm grasp of key issues,
conflicts	likely points of difference and areas for compromise
	✓ Identifies key stakeholders and tests their level of support in advance
	of negotiations
	✓ Uses humour appropriately to enhance professional relationships and
	interactions
	<ul> <li>Pre-empts and minimises conflict by working towards mutually</li> </ul>
	beneficial outcomes

### 3. Results

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Plan & Prioritise	✓ Ensures business plans and priorities are in line with organisational
Plan and organise	objectives
work in line with	✓ Uses historical context to inform business plans and mitigate risks
organisational goals,	<ul> <li>Anticipates and assesses shifts in the environment and ensures</li> </ul>
and adjust to	contingency plans are in place
changing priorities	✓ Ensures that program risks are managed and strategies are in place to
	respond to variance
	✓ Implements systems for monitoring and evaluating effective program
	and project management
Think & Solve	✓ Is able to draw on wide-ranging interests and experiences when facing
Problems Think,	new challenges
analyse and consider	✓ Thinks broadly about the root of problems before focusing in on the
the broader context	problem definition and solutions
to develop practical	✓ Is able to discuss issues from different angles and project impacts into
solutions	the future
	<ul> <li>Considers the broader context when critically analysing information</li> </ul>
	and weighing recommendations
	✓ Involves diverse perspectives in testing thinking and solutions
Create & Innovate	<ul> <li>Encourages independent thinking and new ideas from others</li> </ul>
Encourage and	<ul> <li>Draws on developments and trends in the industry and beyond to</li> </ul>
suggest new ideas	develop solutions
and show	<ul> <li>Supports experimentation and rapid prototyping to test and refine</li> </ul>
commitment to	innovative solutions
improving services	<ul> <li>Develops/champions innovative solutions with long standing,</li> </ul>
and ways of working	organisation-wide impact
	<ul> <li>Explores creative alternatives to improve management systems,</li> </ul>
	processes and practices
	<ul> <li>Contributes own knowledge and experience to staff training and</li> </ul>
	development sessions
Deliver Results	✓ Sets high standards and challenging goals for self and others
Achieve results	<ul> <li>Delegates responsibility appropriately and provides support</li> </ul>
through efficient use	✓ Defines what success looks like in measurable terms
of resources and a	✓ Uses own professional knowledge and the expertise of others to drive
commitment to	results
quality outcomes	✓ Implements and oversees quality assurance practices

### 4. Resources

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Finance Be a responsible custodian of council funds and apply processes in line with legislation and policy	<ul> <li>✓ Ensures the design/delivery of services is within budget</li> <li>✓ Explains the organisation's financial drivers to others in plain language</li> <li>✓ Evaluates strategic business cases including the relative cost benefits of direct provision or purchase of services</li> <li>✓ Models the highest standards of financial probity, demonstrating respect for public monies and other resources</li> <li>✓ Promotes the role of sound financial management and its impact on long term financial sustainability</li> <li>✓ Seeks and applies specialist financial advice to inform decisions</li> </ul>
Assets & Tools Use, allocate and maintain work tools appropriately and manage community assets responsibly	<ul> <li>✓ Considers council and community assets in the design/delivery of services</li> <li>✓ Facilitates and monitors appropriate deployment of assets and tools in line with community priorities</li> <li>✓ Implements and monitors compliance with asset management and maintenance plans and policies</li> </ul>
<b>Technology &amp;</b> <b>Information</b> Use technology and information to maximise efficiency and effectiveness	<ul> <li>✓ Implements appropriate controls to ensure compliance with information and communications security and use policies</li> <li>✓ Implements and monitors appropriate records, information and knowledge management systems</li> <li>✓ Seeks advice from technical experts on leveraging technology to achieve organisational outcomes</li> <li>✓ Stays up to date with emerging technologies and considers how they might be applied in the organisation</li> </ul>
Procurement & Contracts Understand and apply procurement processes to ensure effective purchasing and contract performance	<ul> <li>Ensures that organisational policy on procurement and contract management is implemented</li> <li>Applies knowledge of procurement and contract management risks to decisions</li> <li>Ensures others understand their obligations to manage and mitigate risks in procurement</li> <li>Implements effective governance arrangements to monitor provider, supplier and contractor performance</li> <li>Represents the organisation in resolving disputes with suppliers and contractors</li> </ul>

## 5. People Leadership

Manage & Develop	✓ Knows the individual strengths, weaknesses, goals and concerns of members
People Engage and	of the team
motivate staff,	✓ Fosters high performance through effective conversations and feedback and
develop capability	by providing stretch opportunities
and potential in	✓ Identifies and develops talent across the organisation
others	<ul> <li>Coaches and mentors staff to foster professional development and</li> </ul>
	continuous learning
	✓ Implements performance development frameworks to align capability with the
	organisation's current and future priorities
	<ul> <li>Resolves team and individual performance issues, including serious</li> </ul>
	unsatisfactory performance, in a timely and effective way
Inspire Direction &	✓ Translates organisational vision and strategy into operational goals to help
Purpose	staff understand their own contribution
Communicate	✓ Builds a shared sense of purpose through involving people in defining
organisational goals,	priorities and cascading goals
priorities and vision	✓ Regularly communicates progress against business unit and organisational
and recognise	goals
achievements	✓ Creates opportunities for recognising and celebrating high performance at the
	individual and team level
Optimise Workforce	✓ Ensures resource management plans effectively distribute people resources
Contribution Hire	in line with priorities
and deploy people	<ul> <li>Develops workforce management plans that link to current and future</li> </ul>
effectively and apply	organisational priorities and objectives
sound workforce	✓ Uses talent management processes to guide learning and development
planning principles	investment and to allocate critical roles
	✓ Recruits capable people with varied backgrounds, styles and strengths

Lead & Manage	✓	Translates change initiatives into practical strategies, including the role of
Change Initiate,		staff in implementing them
support and	$\checkmark$	Analyses the change context to identify the level of consultation and
champion change,		involvement required from staff and stakeholders
assist others to	$\checkmark$	Develops appropriate approaches to involve staff and stakeholders at various
accept and engage		stages of the project
with change	$\checkmark$	Implements structured processes to manage structural, system, process and
		cultural barriers to change
	$\checkmark$	Provides coaching and leadership in times of uncertainty and difficulty for staff