Centre for Local Economic Strategies (CLES) PERSON SPECIFICATION

Position:	Researcher / Senior Researcher
Reports to:	Associate Director
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	CRITERIA	ASSESSMENT
QUALIFICATIONS/SKILLS/KNOWLEDGE		
A degree in a relevant social science discipline	Desirable	Application form
Postgraduate degree in a relevant social science discipline	Desirable	Application form
Knowledge of and interest in at least one of the following policy areas:		
 Public service reform and local government 	Essential	Application form and interview
 Investment/finance and applied economics 		
 Housing/place making/property/land 		
Participative and representative democracy/social activism		
Demonstrable communication skills, both verbally and written	Essential	Interview and Test
Demonstrable planning/project management skills	Essential	Application form and interview
Demonstrable analytical skills	Essential	Application form and interview
Demonstrable IT skills, specifically use of Microsoft Office	Essential	Application form
Specific knowledge of statistical software and/or GIS	Desirable	Application form
EXPERIENCE OF		
Delivering consultancy, policy or research work	Desirable	Application form and interview
Working within an organisation focusing on:		
Local economic development	Desirable	Application form and interview
Community development		
Public policy		
Public service reform		
WORK RELATED CIRCUMSTANCES		
The ability to travel widely within the UK from a Manchester base	Essential	Interview