SWALSS Executive Officer Person Specification

Criteria	Essential	Desirable	Evidence
Qualifications	DegreeTeaching Qualification	 Higher Qualification in education and/or management 	Application formCertificates
Experience	 Significant experience at senior leadership level within the Special School arena (At any school level) 	 Significant experience with teacher training or the advisory service 	 Application form Letter of application Selection process References
Managing the Organisation	 Capacity to build on and manage high performance teams Ability to use strong and effective management systems underpinned by clear communication Ability to produce and implement appropriate improvement plans and policies Commitment to the continuation of our strong links and partnerships with the executive committee, teaching schools and DfE and other organisations Knowledge of financial management 	 Experience of financial management Familiarity of organisations similar to SWALSS 	 Letter of application Selection process References
Shaping the Future	 Capacity to recognise and build on the considerable successes of the organisation and formulate a vision for innovation and improvement Excellent knowledge of current and future educational developments particularly regarding SEN 	Experience of working with new education systems such as Multi Academy Trusts and Teaching Schools	 Letter of application Selection process References

Securing Accountability	 Experience of successfully leading change and inspiring others Ability to delegate responsibility with accountability 	 Letter of application Selection process References
Developing Self and Working with Others	 Skill to set appropriate and challenging targets Capability to make and take decisions and delegate appropriately Commitment to the encouragement, empowerment and training of staff Highly effective communication Commitment to own self development 	 Letter of application Selection process References
Personal Qualities & Attributes	 Passionate about education and training Passionate about supporting those with SEN An effective communicator Interpersonal awareness and concern for impact Resilient and energetic High Professional Standards Dynamic and motivational 	 Letter of application Selection process References