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| **Job Title** | **Communications Officer** | **All application forms should be emailed to:** [recruitment@sportni.net](file:///%5C%5Cpr-spo-daisy%5CHRConfidential%5CRecruitment%5CCompetitions%5Crecruitment%40sportni.net) |
| **Grade** | **Staff Officer** |
| **Salary**  | **£32,328 - £33,459 per annum** |
| **Closing Date** | **12:00 noon on Wednesday 15 December 2021** |

**Please ensure you read the ‘Candidate Information Booklet’ booklet before filling out this application form.**

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| **SECTION 1 - PERSONAL DETAILS** |
| **Forename**  |       | **Surname** |       |
| **Title** |       | **National Insurance No.**  |       |
| **Home****address****Postcode** |       | **Contact Details** **Home****Mobile****Email address**  |            |
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| **SECTION 2 – REFERENCES** |
| Please provide details of two employment related referees, ***including your current employer.***  |
| **Reference 1** |
| **Name** |       | **Email Address****Telephone No.** |            |
| **Position** **Organisation**  |            |
| **Reference 2** |
| **Name** |       | **Email Address****Telephone No.** |            |
| **Position** **Organisation**  |            |
| May SNI contact your present employer?       |

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| **SECTION 3 - EMPLOYMENT HISTORY****Please detail the last ten years of your employment history starting with your current or most recent employer.** |
| **Current / Most Recent Employment** |
| **Name of Employer** |       | **Date Appointed** |       |
| **Job Title**  |       | **Date Left** *if applicable* |       |
| **Main duties and areas of responsibility**      |
| **Reason for Leaving** |       | **Notice Period** *if applicable* |       |
| **Previous Employment**  |
| **Name of Employer** |       | **Date Appointed** |       |
| **Job Title**  |       | **Date Left** *if applicable* |       |
| **Main duties and areas of responsibility**      |
| **Reason for Leaving** |       |

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| **Previous Employment continued**  |
| **Name of Employer** |       | **Date Appointed** |       |
| **Job Title**  |       | **Date Left** *if applicable* |       |
| **Main duties and areas of responsibility**      |
| **Reason for Leaving** |       |
| **Name of Employer** |       | **Date Appointed** |       |
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| **SIFTING INFORMATION** **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA** |
| Please provide information of how you meet the minimum requirement of:**A relevant degree or equivalent 3rd level qualification (eg. PR, Marketing, Communications, Journalism or other related discipline)** **AND****A minimum of one year’s full time (or equivalent part time) experience working within a press office, PR agency, editorial team or similar communications environment involving media relations activity.****OR****Two years’ full-time relevant experience (or part time equivalent) of working in a press office, PR agency, editorial team or similar communications environment involving media relations activity.**  |
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| **SIFTING INFORMATION** **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA** |
| Please provide information of how you meet the minimum requirement of:**Demonstrable experience (or part time equivalent) in preparing a wide range of media and communication products targeted to diverse audiences, including managing multiple social media and digital platforms, including web content.** |
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| **SIFTING INFORMATION** **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA** |
| Please provide information of how you meet the minimum requirement of:**Demonstrable experience of applying current communication practice and techniques, including positioning, timing and targeting of news stories to ensure quality generated coverage.**  |
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| **SIFTING INFORMATION** **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA** |
| Please provide information of how you meet the minimum requirement of:**Demonstrable experience of building strong networks with media outlets and people to influence positive news stories.**  |
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| **SIFTING INFORMATION** **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA** |
| Please provide information of how you meet the minimum requirement of:**Demonstrable experience of forging and maintaining strong partnerships and working relationships with organisations to gain tangible support for organisational goals.**  |
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| **SIFTING INFORMATION** **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA** |
| Please provide information of how you meet the minimum requirement of:**Exceptional communication and influencing skills, with a proven ability to convert complicated concepts to effective messages.**  |
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| **Please tick the appropriate box** | **YES** | **NO** |
| Ability to work irregular and unsocial hours as required involving work outside normal office hours, at evenings, weekends and Bank Holidays. | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Valid driving licence and access to a form of transport, insured to enable the post holder to carry the responsibilities of the post in full.(This criterion will be waived in the Shortlisting by Application Form, in the case of applicants whose disability prohibits driving but who have access to a form of transport approved by SportNI) | [ ]  | [ ]  |

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| **SIFTING INFORMATION** **DESIRABLE CRITERIA** |
| Please provide information of how you meet the desirable requirement of:**Experience of working within a sporting environment.** |
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| **SIFTING INFORMATION** **DESIRABLE CRITERIA** |
| Please provide information of how you meet the desirable requirement of:**Chartered member of CIPR, or CIM.** |
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| **Please tick the appropriate box** | **YES** | **NO** |
| Ability to work irregular and unsocial hours as required involving work outside normal office hours, at evenings, weekends and Bank Holidays. | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Valid driving licence and access to a form of transport, insured to enable the post holder to carry the responsibilities of the post in full.(This criterion will be waived in the Shortlisting by Application Form, in the case of applicants whose disability prohibits driving but who have access to a form of transport approved by SportNI) | [ ]  | [ ]  |

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| **SECTION 5 - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE** |
| The statements given by me on this application are to the best of my knowledge and belief true. I understand that deliberate falsification of factual information may prejudice my application or lead to an offer of appointment being withdrawn.**Signature:**       **Date:**       |
| Data Protection Act/GDPR Your information will be held and managed in accordance with the Data Protection Act/GDPR policies and procedures, including those relating to retention and disposal. The information will be used only for the purposes of this recruitment competition, and will only be shared with any relevant third parties with the explicit permission and assurance of Sport NI HR. |
| Application Submission All completed application should be sent to recruitment@sportni.net before the closing time and date. All received applications will be acknowledged by Sport NI.  |

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| **Gender, Marital and Family Status & Age** |
| **Please tick as appropriate:** |
| Gender |  Male |[ ]   Female |[ ]   |
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| Marital Status |  Married |[ ]   Not Married |[ ]   |
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| Family Status | With Dependants |[ ]   Without Dependants |[ ]   |
| Age  | 18-29 [ ]  30-41 [ ]  42-53 [ ]  54-60 [ ]  61 + [ ]  |  |
| Date of Birth:       |

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| **Race & Nationality**  |
| **Please tick the box appropriate to you:** |
| White |[ ]  Of Black African Origin |[ ]   |
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| Of Black Caribbean Origin |[ ]  Of Bangladeshi Origin |[ ]   |
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| Of Chinese Origin |[ ]  Of Indian Origin |[ ]   |
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| Of Pakistani Origin |[ ]  Of Other Group |[ ]   |
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|  Of Mixed Ethnic Group | [ ]  |  Irish Traveller Community |[ ]   |
| My Nationality is:       |

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| **Community Background** |
| **Please indicate your community background by ticking the appropriate box below:** |
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| I have a Protestant community background |[ ]   |
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| I have a Roman Catholic community background |[ ]   |
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| I have neither a Protestant nor a Roman Catholic community background |[ ]   |

**Please do not alter the format of this form**

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| **Disability**  |
| **Please tick as appropriate:** |
| Do you consider yourself to have a disability? | Yes [ ]  |  | No [ ]  |  |  |
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| If you have answered “Yes”, please complete the remaining section. |
| Do any of the disabilities or conditions listed below have a substantial and long term adverse effect on your ability to carry out normal day to day activities? |
| Hearing Impairment |[ ]  Physical Co-ordination Difficulties |[ ]   |
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| Visual Impairment |[ ]  Reduced Physical Capacity |[ ]   |
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| Speech Impairment |[ ]  Learning Difficulties  |[ ]   |
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| Mobility Impairment |[ ]  Mental Illness/Mental Health Difficulty |[ ]   |
| Are there reasonable adjustments that we could make as part of our recruitment process that would enable you to enjoy equality of opportunity in getting a job/working with us?      |

To ensure confidentiality, the questionnaire will be given an identifying number and only the monitoring officer will be able to match this number with your name. Your name should not be written on the questionnaire. The monitoring information collected will be used to measure the effectiveness of our equal opportunities policy, determine the extent to which we promote equality of opportunity and fair participation and will assist us to develop and review positive/affirmative action policies

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