

## **INDEPENDENT CUSTODY VISITOR**

## VOLUNTEER PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential Criteria		Measure By
1.	Be at least 18 years of age	Application
2.	Not an officer or employee of the Police and Crime Commission or Police Force, a Justice of the Peace, Solicitor or Probation Officer	Application
3.	Live or work within Northamptonshire	Application
4.	Able to communicate well, both verbally and in writing, with a diverse range of people	Application/ Interview/ Reference
5.	Have a knowledge and awareness of diversity and equality issues	Application/ Interview
6.	Able to work as part of a team	Application/ Interview
7.	Flexible, reliable and have enough time to carry out the custody visiting role	Interview/ Reference
8.	A good listener	Interview/ Reference
9.	Objective, impartial, non-judgemental and able to constructively challenge when necessary	Application/ Interview
10.	Able to travel by private or public transport to undertake visits	Application
11.	Able to maintain confidentiality in relation to detainees and custody visits	Interview
12.	Portray a positive image of themselves and the Police and Crime Commission	Interview

## **Desirable Criteria**

1. Have some knowledge of Custody Visiting Application/ Interview

2. Have an interest in the rights and welfare of individual in the Criminal Justice System Application/ Interview