**Young Carers Befriending Co-ordinator, Person Specification**

**Essential Experience, Knowledge and Skills:**

Relevant Community Development, Social Care or Youth Work Qualification at SVQ3 or above

Experience of working with vulnerable children and young people

Excellent interpersonal, communication and listening skills

Ability to work on own initiative or as part of a team

Ability to prioritise and organise own workload

Experience of developing and managing projects/ initiatives

Ability to use Social Media and Microsoft Packages, computer literate

Experience of working with/training volunteers

Ability to record, monitor and evaluate work

Flexible and creative approach

Full clean driving licence and access to a car

**Desirable Experience, Knowledge and Skills:**

Knowledge of children and young people’s rights and the legal implications of working with young people

Understanding of child development

Understanding of current policy and trends in young carers issues, community care, health and social services

Knowledge and understanding of GIRFEC

Report writing

Experience of developing and maintaining professional relationships

**Personal Qualities**

 Commitment to the rights of children and young people

 An approach to work which is positive, flexible and solution focused.

 A willingness to work unsociable hours and to travel as necessary