



Job Description

This job description is not prescriptive and, as always, The Original Cottage Company encourages and welcomes initiative, discussions and suggestions from employees.

Job Title: Homeowner Services Assistant

Responsible to: Homeowner Services Manager

Objectives: To provide excellent service to homeowners to ensure professional and organised communication, monitor booking performance, monitor repeat booking performance, customer feedback and homeowner retention. To act as 'Account Manager' support for existing homeowners. Work as a member of 'Team Wales' to ensure the development and enhancement of all brands.

Location: Mainly Saundersfoot, with regular travel to multiple offices in Wales as well as travel to properties, other TOCC brand sites as well as ad hoc visits to Group Services, based in Norfolk. From time to time there will be training events at other UK locations.

Existing Properties

- Build and maintain excellent relationships with owners to increase property retention and improve owner referral rates
- Deal with any enquiries from homeowners and reply promptly, or ensure that a colleague has replied promptly if appropriate
- Proactively monitor booking performance of properties across the portfolio
- Liaise with homeowners regarding booking performance and marketing and implement changes to maximise income, with the support of the Marketing team as required.
- Assist the Reservations Team in liaising with homeowners regarding the quality/standards of the property and customer feedback, managing them to ensure that all properties consistently meet the expectations of reasonable customers
- Ensure that communication from owners (including special offers etc.) is visible on *tabs*, so the Reservations team are aware
- Ensure that photography is up to date, good quality and loaded onto *tabs*
- Check website, affiliate website and any other descriptions of properties and update as required to ensure accuracy
- Liaise with homeowners and assist them in ensuring that they are compliant with all company and legal requirements



- Proactively make courtesy calls to homeowners taking an effective Account Management approach
- Review and prepare customer feedback to be shared with owners on a regular basis
- Prepare and send arrivals reports for relevant parties on a regular basis
- Provide support in issues arising between owners and guests to a satisfactory conclusion
- Identify ways in which the Welsh service can be constantly improved upon
- Provide support on projects throughout the year as and when required, eg Contract Renewal,
- Provide support and manage property listings on affiliate websites

New Properties

- Work with the Property Recruitment Team to ensure smooth handover of property and owner from 'New' to 'Existing'
- Be proactive in developing familiarity with new properties and owners

Quality Assurance

- Assist the Property Assessors in submitting timely, well-written reports to homeowners
- Provide feedback any quality issues which require follow up

Marketing and Administration

- Assist to develop an engaging communications plan to execute with homeowners
- Carry out activity identified in the communications plan to ensure owners are kept up to date with the latest industry information, TOCC stories and Welsh Brand news
- Demonstrate familiarity with the website and homeowner log in area
- Actively promote TOCC owner benefits
- Assist in setting up and running homeowner events
- Attend other events, shows and participate in marketing, PR and promotional events as required
- Liaise with marketing teams to identify common trends occurring throughout the portfolio
- Identify shortages of specific property types to help Property Recruiters target portfolio needs



Health and Safety

- Take the appropriate part in the implementation of Health and Safety policies and procedures
- Ensure all other relevant safety and trading regulations are complied with
- Ensure all health and safety and other relevant regulatory requirements are adequately communicated to the team
- Liaise with the HR Advisor where training needs are identified

Team

- Show awareness of the needs of fellow team members and show them courtesy
- Communicate effectively with others in the team
- Work collaboratively with colleagues in order to meet the objectives of the business. Could include covering other roles within the office location as and when required
- Support and assist the Reservations team as and when required

IT

- Take the appropriate part in supporting and coordinating the ICT function, including identifying needs and gaps to the General Manager
- Assist with any ICT projects, as required

General

- The ability to speak Welsh is desirable for this post; Welsh and/or English speakers with a willingness to learn Welsh are equally welcome to apply
- Take the necessary action to ensure the correct implementation of the General Data Protection Regulations within area of remit
- In conjunction with the General Manager, manage/assist in any projects, as required
- Assist colleagues in day to day tasks where service demands are high
- Attend work with a clean and smart appearance, wearing the appropriate attire
- Undertake any other tasks that may be reasonably requested
- Implement the policies and procedures set out in the Employment Handbook



Interested? This is how to apply...

Please email jobs@walescottageholidays.co.uk and we will send you our application pack. The closing date is **31st January 2019**, but don't delay as we encourage early applications. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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