

Job Description



Job Detail

Job ID	
Job Title	Interim Aircraft Availability Improvement Project Manager
Location	RAF Cranwell, Lincolnshire
Job Level	Contract
References	
Summary	Responsible for the effective programme management of a range of projects aimed at improving the productivity, availability, reliability and output of Affinity's aircraft fleet and a range of other business improvement initiatives. This role will be directly responsible to the Engineering Delivery Director for each project's delivery schedule, internal and external reporting, Key Performance Indications (KPI) measurement, leadership and conflict resolution between projects and supporting new initiative business cases. Given the technical nature of the projects within the programme you will have an Availability Manager working for you to manage and resolve many of the technical and Type Airworthiness issues.

Qualifications, Experience and Competencies Required

Essential Experience

- A recognised Project or Programme Management qualification, or verifiable evidence of the management of complex programmes
- Working with multiple Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) and key suppliers
- Experience working within multi-disciplined teams
- Experience working within KPI frameworks

Desirable Experience

- An aircraft engineering, or related aircraft production, degree, chartered status or equivalent qualification (verified evidence of successful delivery of aircraft production programmes may be an acceptable alternative)
- Prior experience of managing complex Aviation business Improvement Schemes or air systems modification programmes
- A thorough knowledge of programme and project management basics, including risk management, project controls and schedule management
- Thorough understanding of aircraft usage and requirements application, as required by the end users (aircrew and engineers)
- Experience of delivering projects into the UK public sector, and an understanding of the key challenges associated with this

- Effective relationship management to achieve objectives
- A thorough understanding of Part M, 145 and MRCOA regulations would be desirable, although not essential
- In addition, an understanding of CS23, EASA Part 21 and FAR/CR regulations

Essential Qualifications

APM Practitioner

Desirable Qualifications

Aviation Degree

Essential Technical Competencies

- Understanding of Part 145 Base Maintenance techniques and risk areas
- Ability to monitor and manage (with the OEMs) aircraft configuration control
- Ability to understand the effects of aircraft maintenance regime activities on aircraft availability
- Enough aviation domain knowledge to discuss technical issues with end-user and client aircrew

Essential Non-Technical Competencies

- Fluent, both written and verbal, in English
- Possess a full UK driver's licence
- Computer literate, proven experience in MS products
- Takes responsibility to build and maintain positive relationships with others, especially with senior customer and client representatives
- Takes full ownership for delivering the agreed objectives and other commitments made
- Takes changes and challenges in their stride
- Demonstrates full ownership and a passion for service excellence
- Adapts to changes by learning and improving

Core Responsibilities and Duties/Skills

General

The Business Improvement Project Manager is responsible to the Engineering Delivery Director for the management of business Improvement project.

The Project Manager is the primary interface with the customer, client, suppliers, and user community. They will interface with Affinity Departments as required to ensure all activities are coordinated and appropriately managed. They will provide updates as agree and notify senior managers as required to highlight areas of concern.

Specifically, they are responsible for:

- The management of agreed projects with respect to schedule, cost, risk and quality
- Authorisation of work performed by the subcontractors (except for changes to scope, which must be authorised by the Aircraft Availability Improvement Project Board)
- Providing the Project Board with regular updates
- Managing OEM relationships
- Supporting client liaison, negotiation and relationship management

- Supporting customer relationship management
- Supporting reporting and governance activities,
- Supporting Affinity decision making on subcontracts, supply chain or resourcing
- Promote and endorse a positive Equality, Quality and Health & Safety culture
- Good Management and Engineering problem solving skills

Specific