

Head of Information & Technology		
NAME		
TENURE	PermanentFulltimeStart Date:	
PLACE OF WORK	Sumner, Christchurch	
DEPARTMENT	IT Services	
REPORTING TO	Director Corporate Services	
DIRECT REPORT(S)	IT Team	
FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS	 Executive & Senior Leadership Corporate Services IT Team Managers & Team Leads Key vendors & support partners 	
TRAVEL	National as required	
SCOPE OF THE ROLE	The Head of Information & Technology (IT) role is responsible for the optimisation and oversight of our technical infrastructure and operations. It leads a team of highly skilled professionals in managing technical projects and ensuring the reliability, scalability and efficiency of our systems to support business and service goals. It is responsible for the implementation and maintenance of IT industry standards best practice from current business systems. Working collaboratively with senior leadership it manages the conversion of organisation strategy to userfriendly IT structures, processes and solutions by way of Change and Project Management methodology.	



KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES		
Technical Strategy	 Collaborate with Senior Leaders to provide for technical operations aligning with strategic objectives and business goals Develop long-term strategies for infrastructure improvement, upgrades, maintenance and resource-optimisation Using Change Management & Project Management methodology to provide the leadership and technical expertise in all technical projects Investigation into the feasibility of new and emerging technologies to optimally support effective business processes 	
IT Systems & Infrastructure (Operational Management)	 Ensure adherence to industry standards, regulatory requirements and cybersecurity best practices Oversee the daily operations of IT and technical systems ensuring minimal downtime and maximum efficiency Trouble shooting and response to issues from other departments are responded to promptly and helpfully Monitor and maintain systems, networks, platforms to ensure high availability and performance Proactively identify and mitigate risks related to system vulnerabilities or operational inefficiencies Develop and implement operational processes, standards and best practices. Specifically, this will include data backup solutions and processes 	
Team Leadership	 Lead, mentor and manage a team of creative and technical experts including, but not limited to, day-to-day, induction, performance appraisal and support, process leave applications, exiting and resourcing Foster a collaborative and innovative team culture promoting inclusion, professional development Manage vendor relationships and oversee procurement of technical tools and services 	
Planning, Reporting & Administration	 Strategies, projects and business as usual are formalised in high standard planning documents Annual IT plan is developed, maintained and put into effect Technical Projects are delivered on time, within budget and aligned with business requirements Organisation process and procedure is used to provide for collaboration, collegiality and efficiency in work Develop and implement disaster recovery and business continuity plans 	



	Ensure there are robust IT asset management and software licensing processes in place	
PERSON SPECIFICATION		
REQUIRED	 IT tertiary or relevant L.7 qualification or higher (IT, or Computer Science) Five+ years' experience working in a Lead IT position with a proven track record Strong commercial management skills Excellent communication skills NZSL proficiency (or commitment to learn) Current and clean Driver's License 	
DESIRABLE	 Relevant industry experience and proven knowledge of the education sector Strong understanding of IT infrastructure, cloud platforms and network operations Builds and maintains positive work relationships Commitment to ongoing professional development Pragmatic problem solver Detail orientated and an excellent understanding of IT in a 'big picture' context Welcomes constructive feedback and engages in personal reflective practice Solution focused and forward thinker Manages conflict with respect, diplomacy, and a view to win/win outcomes Structured approach to planning and able to put those plans into effect 	
ATTRIBUTES	 High levels of integrity and professionalism Innovative Creative Methodical Meticulous Confident Approachable, friendly, 'people-person' with the ability to positively influence senior stakeholders Conciliatory Common-sense Analytical Kind Empathetic to the Deaf community 	

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Director of Corporate Services	