

Estates and Facilities Durrington Multi Academy Trust (DMAT)

Our MAT consists of a secondary school Durrington High School (1650 students, 11 acres) and Laurels Primary School (210, 186 on roll).

Durrington High is a very large school. The school was built in the 1950s and further developed in 1995, then most recently developed again in 2015 when we gained an astro turf, new dining facility (The Pavilion) and teaching block. Our site is very well maintained and we have recently increased our site team from three to four when we brought the grounds maintenance contract in-house. We also employ our own decorator for 20 hours per week.

Laurels Primary only joined our MAT in January 2018, although we have supported this school since June 2017. The site had been neglected and we have ensured significant work has been done to make the building brighter and now safe due to the installation of external gates and fencing (summer 2018). The site assistant works 16 hours per week. All schools budgets are tight but Laurels has very little money to do further developments. External grants will be required and this will be part of the remit to secure extra funding for the site.

Leading the site staff will be a key part of the role and the team possess a wide range of skills which are utilised across the trust. Ensuring all health and safety requirements are met across the trust is a key part of the role whilst also liaising with various stakeholders and preparing the appropriate reports and returns. These must be accurate as they are submitted to the governing body, Board of Trustees and EFSA, so attention to detail is paramount.

You will possess strong contract leadership experience to enable you to smoothly manage the two main external providers for catering and cleaning. These will require regular contact with the appropriate managers.

Lettings is growing rapidly and we wish to develop this further. We have a core lettings team in place, which the Director will lead.

We are in the process of planning for some exciting new facilities/refurbishment to existing areas and it would be an expectation that the Director would successfully project manage these on time and within budget.

The following projects are being considered:

Durrington High School

Playground replacement – either resurfacing, possibly floodlights and an indoor area.

Multi use games area – resurfacing

Toilets for lettings area

Sports hall – a major refurbishment

The Laurels

Re- surfacing/redevelopment of the outside space

You will work closely with the Executive Headteacher/CEO of DMAT who will be your line manager. Our MAT and schools within are in a strong position and this is a fantastic opportunity for someone to come in and take our sites and facilities to the next level.

