## Recruitment policy management guide

It's important that managers have guidelines when it comes to recruitment, so that they know the relevant procedure to be followed. Our recruitment policy also serves as a useful reminder to managers of their equal opportunities obligations during the recruitment process.

## RECRUITMENT PROCEDURE

Our Recruitment Policy sets out the procedure that managers should follow in recruiting a new employee, covering completion of a recruitment authorisation form, involving the Human Resources department, selecting candidates for interview, interviewing, keeping a record of interview and making offers of employment. The policy can also usefully be included as part of your Staff Handbook because it provides a commitment to staff to advertise vacancies internally as well as externally and it emphasises that the aim is always to recruit the best person for the job.

We've also included useful provisions on seeking references, verifying the information provided by a candidate in their CV or application form, carrying out background checks and the payment of travel expenses for attendance at interview.

## **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL**

All job applicants, both internal and external, are protected against discrimination on grounds of race, sex, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, pregnancy or maternity, married or civil partnership status, religion or belief, age and disability throughout every stage of the recruitment process. Managers should always ensure that no candidate is treated in a discriminatory way. Our policy emphasises that managers must follow the guidelines in the equal opportunities policy statement at all stages of recruitment and selection.

## **DATA PROTECTION**

Under the **EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**, a job applicant (whether successful or unsuccessful) may submit a data subject access request to you to obtain a copy of any personal data that you hold about them, for example, the selection or interview notes. Therefore, ensure that all interview notes are typed up as soon as possible afterwards, with any unnecessary comments or scribbles removed. The manuscript notes can then be securely destroyed.