

Creative Lives salary system

The salary system

There are five salary bands, distinctions between posts are made on the basis of significant and material differences using salary band factors (see appendix, below), with equal pay for posts within each salary band.

- A cost-of-living award agreed by the Board as part of budget planning will be awarded to all staff at the start of each financial year (April)
- No staff will be employed at less than a living wage the salary bands will be adjusted to comply with the current Living Wage UK and Living Wage London
- The starting salary for each band will be increased annually by the agreed cost of living increase.
- Extra responsibility allowance can be used to allow for staff covering other roles when necessary but only for short-term situations.

APPENDIX: Creative Lives salary band factors

To clarify which salary band each post belongs to the panel developed a simple system of 5 key factors shown by the table below. This system will also help to clarify when an extra responsibility allowance might be appropriate.

	Chief	Senior	Officer	Administrator	Admin
	Executive	Manager			Assistant
Complexity of role	4: Work planning	3: Work planning	2: Plans own workload	2: Plans own	1: Job is mainly
	needs to occur	needs to occur over	over a short and	workload over a	around routine
(Management +	over the long term	the long term – job	medium term	short and medium	tasks: no
Organisational)	– job will be	will be required to	timescale	term timescale	requirement
	required to	develop and deliver			for planning
	develop and	organizational			beyond the
	deliver	strategies			short term
	organizational				
	strategies across				
	all areas of				
	operation				



Creative/ analytical work involved (Organisational + Communications/ coordination)	creative: work problems will often not have a right answer – problem often not	3: Job is highly creative: work problems will often not have a right answer – problem often not clearly defined at outset – significant evaluative judgement required	2: Solutions to work problems not straight forward – but nature of problem defined – responsibilities include research, writing or acting as a trainer	straight forward –	1: Work is routine and straight forward
Impact on finances or objectives of organisation (Financial and Compliance)	4: Responsible for determining organizational priorities and setting and managing the process for ensuring their delivery across all areas of operation: management of significant budgets: management of high value, complex financial transactions: responsible for raising significant levels of income	management of significant budgets: management of high value, complex financial transactions: responsible for raising significant levels of income		may be required to order goods and services within specific brief, handle or process cash or cheques.	1: Little or none – may be required to order goods and services within specific brief, handle or process cash or cheques.



Level of external relations (Communications/coordination)	developing a wide range of relationships at a senior level: act as spokesperson for the organisation at public meetings etc	instigating and developing a wide range of relationships at a senior level: act as spokesperson for the organisation at public meetings etc	developing relationships in a defined area of work, usually with people at Equivalent level in other organizations : may be required to speak or make presentations	maintaining good relationships with equivalent staff in other organizations	basic enquiries and correspondenc e: may require establishing & maintaining good relationships with equivalent staff in other organizations
Supervisory and/or line management responsibilities (Management)	for the management and	2: Management responsibility for a number of staff and/or consultants	occasional supervision of volunteers on specific tasks for short periods of	1: Little or none – occasional supervision of volunteers on specific tasks for short periods of time	1: Little or none – occasional supervision of volunteers on specific tasks for short periods of time
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