

Job Title: Consulting Manager

Reporting To: Partner
Office Base: Manchester

## **Role Objective**

Contribute to the identification and successful delivery of client engagements, collaborating with internal teams to achieve outstanding outcomes. Drive business development efforts, stay updated with industry trends, and actively contribute to the growth of Swan Partners. Embrace a collaborative and supportive team environment while making a meaningful impact in the financial consulting industry.

#### Remuneration

- Competitive salary.
- Post probation, participation in Swan's bi-annual discretionary cash bonus scheme, subject to business and personal performance.
- Comprehensive benefits package

#### About us

Swan Partners is a rapidly growing finance consultancy based in central London and Manchester, providing hands on finance and commercial expertise and support to finance directors and senior teams to assist them through demanding and often unusual periods of change.

Typically, we work with clients during transactions (mergers, acquisitions, disposals, refinancing), also with operational improvement activities (cash flow modelling, forecasting, reporting and KPIs, finance function review and improvement) and to deliver commercial initiatives (costing, procurement, contracting and negotiations).

Our team has worked on over 750 projects for a range of PE backed, midcap and listed corporates, as well as the NHS, other government bodies and charities.

## Consulting Manager Key Responsibilities

### Delivery:

- Lead and deliver multiple client assignments concurrently, showcasing autonomy, expertise, and exceptional results.
- Work independently, efficiently managing time for thorough work reviews.
- Ensure timely delivery of agreed outputs according to client work plans.
- Identify and escalate issues, proposing effective solutions to mitigate risks.
- Present work in a well-structured and clear manner, exceeding expectations of project leads and clients.
- Review consultant work and create polished final client deliverables.
- Maintain comprehensive project documentation on shared drives and company platforms.
- Provide guidance and coaching to consultants, overseeing their work on select projects.
- Foster proactive communication with project members and offer direct guidance to consultants when needed.
- Proactively liaise with client counterparts, ensuring effective project setup and coordination.
- Take the lead in drafting comprehensive cost and project status updates.
- Demonstrate flexibility in servicing client and business needs.
- Contribute to project design and work plans, suggesting alternative solutions and creative approaches.

## **Business Development:**

- Cultivate and maintain strong relationships with clients, driving continuous business growth and referrals.
- Gain a deep understanding of clients' business challenges and contribute to identifying additional work opportunities.
- Effectively communicate Swan Partner's activities and positioning to clients.
- Support business development efforts through analysis, lead generation, and proposal preparation.
- Assist in researching client businesses, uncovering untapped opportunities, and preparing compelling proposals.
- Contribute to the development of new products and services, shaping the future of Swan Partners.

## **Organisational:**

- Identify and address team training needs, actively participating in training events to enhance skills.
- Engage in internal meetings and activities, fostering collaboration and teamwork.
- Stay up to date with the latest technical skills and qualifications, seeking relevant training as necessary.
- Ensure accurate and timely compliance with administrative requirements.
- Support and contribute to internal activities, showcasing commitment to the company's success.
- Thrive within a collaborative and flat organisational structure, leveraging skills to enhance teamwork.



# Person Specification – Consulting Manager

Area	Requirement	Essential/ Desirable
Qualifications and Skills	Fully qualified accountant (ACA / CIMA / ACCA or	Essential
	equivalent)	
	Strong excel skills - quick and accurate manipulation of data	Essential
Experience	2.5+ years PQE	Essential
	Successful time pressured project delivery for external	Essential
	clients	
	Good working application of UK Accounting Standards	Essential
	Transactions support experience from a recognised top tier	Essential
	firm	
	Team management, successfully allocating work to junior	Essential
	team members and leading a team	
	Consultancy and or advisory experience in a recognised top	Essential
	tier firm	
	Industry experience in Business Partner roles or special	Essential
	projects, being the first point of call for clients	
	Concurrently working on multiple projects fulfilling a	Essential
	manager role, ensuring client needs are met at a high standard	
	Standard	
Competencies	Excellent interpersonal skills	Essential
	Effective proactive planning and organisational skills	Essential
	Ability to work autonomously	Essential
	Excellent communicator, able to keep the senior team	Essential
	members up to date on project deliverables and key	Essential
	achievements while keeping them 'out of the weeds'	
	Ability to oversee, plan and direct work for more junior	Essential
	colleagues on multiple projects	
	Ability to work to tight deadlines when required	Essential
	Takes ownership of work and consistently produces high	Essential
	quality outputs	
	Flexible approach to work	Essential
	Ability to create and work with data cubes	Essential
	Experience of working with direct and indirect cashflows	Essential
	Ability to translate data into relevant business information	Essential
	for the business operations and commercial position,	
	modelling real time analysis of different scenarios	
	Ability to work / communicate effectively with clients	Essential
	across all levels within pressured environment	
	Excellent presentation skills	Essential
	Ability to communicate complex information effectively	Essential
	Ability to rapidly gain insight into new businesses /	Essential
	industries, the issues and provide solutions	
	Excellent project management skills	Essential
	Clear and articulate report writing skills	Essential
	Designing and building driver based integrated P&L,BS,CF	Desirable
	excel based models	Desirable
	Working knowledge of Power BI / Power Query and or	Desirable
	other data analysis tools	l