Person Specification: Shop Assistant RSPCA Westmorland Branch

	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
EDUCATION & TRAINING		Recognised standard in literacy and numeracy with IT skills.
EXPERIENCE	Providing customer service and experience of dealing with customers	Retail experience
		Experience of working in the charitable retail sector
		Experience of working with trustees, staff and volunteers
		Being a business key holder
SPECIAL SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE	Cash handling and banking	Knowledge of basic trading standards
	Able to merchandise a wide range of goods	law
	Able to train new staff and volunteers. Able to direct and monitor the work of volunteers	Basic understanding of Gift Aid
	Able to use the internet to look up the value of donated goods	
	Able to write clearly, accurately and neatly. Able to count money accurately	
	Able to problem solve	
	Excellent customer service skills and able to make and take phone calls in a pleasant and assertive manner	
PERSONALITY & DISPOSITION	Sympathy with the RSPCA's aims and policies	
	Able to relate well to people from all backgrounds	
	Well presented. Pleasant disposition and approachable	
	Manual handling ability	
SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES	Must be able to work flexibly across 7 days. Must be able to work extra hours to cover for staff holidays or sickness and be willing and able to work longer than the contracted hours when the job demands.	Able to manage stairs carrying goods many times a day.
	Able to take on the full range of the shop duties. Physically fit and able to bend, lift, carry, stand up for long periods, negotiate steps. Able to occasionally travel to meetings and training when required	