

Job Title: Interim Head of Finance

Department: Management

Base Location: Tewkesbury

Hours: 40 hours per week (Monday to Friday)

Relationships: Managers, Internal Departments, Depots

Responsible to: Finance Director

Responsible for: Credit Control and Finance Team

JOB DESCRIPTION

Established in 1938, Cotteswold Dairy is one of the UK's leading independent, family-owned dairies. We support local farmers and communities by delivering the freshest, finest quality products and first class customer service.

Team Cotteswold:

At Cotteswold Dairy we recognise that we will achieve far greater success working as a team, with empathetic people management and valuing each other, our staff and our customers.

The aim of 'Team Cotteswold' is to give a disciplined and determined effort to value everyone and everything and as a consequence make the Company the first preference for employees and customers alike over the long term.

The Team Cotteswold Purpose:

Being at the heart of a responsible and sustainable dairy community

Overview:

To effectively manage the day to day operations of the Credit Control and Finance teams. To undertake all aspects of financial control management and regulatory compliance. To be hands on, with a can-do attitude, a collaborative manager. To provide accurate, timely, financial information and analysis, to maintain and develop a strong governance culture and internal controls.

Managing all financial planning, including investment appraisals, the development of departmental budgets. To develop and manage the group's financial reporting.



Main Duties & Responsibilities:

- Accounting and Financial controls Ensure all regulatory requirements are met in a complete and timely manner. Including: to prepare draft statutory accounts, HRMC statutory returns and VAT return (MTD), Government Statistics, Industry analysis and returns. Co-ordinate/manage the year end audit and prepare the tax analysis.
- Treasury/Credit Control Management Monitor and report cash balances and prepare short term cash forecasts, review/manage projected payment forecast. Manage day to day bank relationship including PTX, Cash Collections, Card charges and system administration. Ensure cash is safeguarded, promptly processed and submitted to the bank. Effective management of the credit control team to ensure adherence to the credit control policy to improve cash collections and reduce bad debts.
- Management Reporting To prepare accurate, complete and timely monthly
 management accounts and analysis as required. Including the reconciliation of milk
 purchases, production figures and collation/analysis and reporting of monthly sales
 and milk volumes., and margins. To manage and control all balance sheet account
 reconciliations and the monthly bank reconciliation
- Budgeting and Forecasting To develop, co-ordinate and assist in the preparation and consolidation of the annual budgets and forecasts
- Sales System pricing/costing verification and reporting.
- Management, recruitment, training and development of staff.
- Payroll/Pensions To assist in the effective operation of the payroll & the management company pension reporting to ensure the department meet all company and statuary regulations. Support and c; Jevelopment of staff.
- To improve/expand the groups Finance Reporting & Finance Systems maintenance
- To improve asset management and carry out internal audits
- Other duties as required by Finance Director

Skills (Desirable):

- Qualified member of an accounting body ACA, CIMA ACCA,
- 4 years post qualification experience in a high volume transaction based manufacturing environment, at least 3 years' experience in a Lead Financial role managing teams from different disciplines. Experience of the food and drink, manufacturing and /or distribution businesses would be an advantage.
- Must have high level Excel and Business Intelligence reporting skills (Power pivots etc.)
- System implementation experience would be an advantage.
- Highly literate, numerate, professional and a good communicator
- Hard working, practical, with problem solving ability
- Attention to detail and able to instil in those around them the same