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Senior Cyber Business Relationship Manager

Government Digital Service

Apply before 11:55 pm on Sunday 15th February 2026



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Reference number

447762

Salary

£44,288 - £51,853

£44,288 - £47,413 (Bristol & Manchester) and £48,244 - £51,853 (London) Based on capability. The base salary of this grade is £47,670 for London and £43,760 for other locations. Offers made above this will be made up with a specialist pay allowance.

Job grade

Senior Executive Officer

Contract type

Permanent

Type of role

Digital
Security

Working pattern

Flexible working, Full-time, Job share, Part-time, Compressed hours

Number of jobs available

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Location

Bristol, London, Manchester

About the job

Job summary

As the Government Cyber Unit, our mission is to protect public services and the wider Government from cyber threats by

setting strategic direction for Government and the public sector on cyber security ([Government Cyber Action Plan](#))

managing the portfolio of programmes to implement the strategy across central Government

establishing standards and policies ([Government Cyber Security Standard](#) and the [Cyber Policy Handbook](#))

supporting government organisations to deliver security digital services via [Secure by Design](#)

assuring system and organisation cyber security via initiatives such as [GovAssure](#)

leading the operational response to cyber threats, vulnerabilities and incidents through the [Government Cyber Coordination Centre \(GC3\)](#)

The [Government Cyber Unit Partnering function](#) plays a vital role in strengthening the UK's cyber and digital resilience. It brings together government departments, industry, international partners, and the wider security community to share insights, identify common challenges, and co-develop solutions. Acting as a trusted connector and critical friend, the function ensures that engagement and collaboration directly support delivery of the Government Cyber Security Strategy and strengthen the protection of the UK's public services.

Job description

The Senior Cyber Business Relationship Manager supports the Partnering Lead in driving strategic engagement across government, industry, and international partners. The role focuses on strengthening relationships, enabling effective collaboration, and ensuring clear and consistent communication that contributes to the Government Cyber Unit's objectives.

As a Senior Cyber Business Relationship Manager you will:

manage relationships across government organisations, industry, and other key stakeholders.

maintain accurate and up-to-date information and intelligence on stakeholders to underpin effective stakeholder management.

plan and deliver workshops, roundtables, and collaborative sessions on cyber security and digital resilience challenges.

prepare and coordinate briefing materials, partner updates, and other communications to ensure consistent and clear messaging.

ensure engagement activities are inclusive, productive, and outcome-focused.

track and report on partnership outcomes, highlighting opportunities for co-creation and collaboration.

facilitate knowledge sharing across the Government Cyber Unit and partner organisations.

monitor developments in cyber security policy and digital resilience, risks, and emerging threats to support discussions with partners.

Person specification

In this role we are looking for:

strong stakeholder engagement and relationship management skills, with the ability to build trust across government, industry, and international partners

excellent communication and presentation skills, able to convey complex cyber and digital resilience topics clearly to both technical and non-technical audiences

strong organisational and planning abilities, including managing multiple priorities, events, and deadlines

proactive and adaptable approach, comfortable working in a fast-paced and evolving environment

good understanding of cyber security risks, controls, and resilience issues, with the confidence to hold informed discussions

proven ability to work collaboratively across teams and functions, fostering inclusive and outcome-focused engagement

strong analytical and problem-solving skills, including effective stakeholder mapping to identify opportunities, user needs, challenges, and practical solutions

experience using CRM systems or stakeholder databases, with high attention to accuracy and detail

Benefits

There are many benefits of working with us, including:

flexible hybrid working with flexi-time and the option to work part-time or condensed hours

a Civil Service Pension with an average employer contribution of 28.97%

25 days of annual leave, increasing by a day each year up to a maximum of 30 days

an extra day off for the King's birthday

an in-year bonus scheme to recognise high performance

career progression and coaching, including a training budget for personal development

a focus on wellbeing with access to an employee assistance programme

job satisfaction from making government services easier to use and more inclusive for people across the UK

advances on pay, including for travel season tickets

death in service benefits

cycle to work scheme and facilities

access to an employee discounts scheme

10 learning days per year

volunteering opportunities (5 special leave days per year)

access to a suite of learning activities through Civil Service learning

Any move to Government Digital Service from another employer will mean you can no longer access childcare vouchers. This includes moves between government departments. You may however be eligible for other government schemes, including Tax Free Childcare. Determine your eligibility at <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk>

Office attendance

The Department operates a discretionary hybrid working policy, which provides for a combination of working hours from your place of work and from your home in the UK. The current expectation for staff is to attend the office or non-home based location for 40-60% of the time over the accounting period.

DSIT does not normally offer full home working (i.e. working at home); but we do offer a variety of flexible working options (including occasionally working from home).

Things you need to know

Artificial intelligence

Artificial intelligence can be a useful tool to support your application, however, all examples and statements provided must be truthful, factually accurate and taken directly from your own experience. Where plagiarism has been identified (presenting the ideas and experiences of others, or generated by artificial intelligence, as your own) applications may be withdrawn and internal candidates may be subject to disciplinary action. Please see our [candidate guidance \(opens in a new window\)](#) for more information on appropriate and inappropriate use.

Selection process details

The standard selection process for roles consists of:

- a simple application screening process - We only ask for a CV and to answer 3 application questions.
- a 60 minute video interview which will include a presentation - details of the presentation will be shared with invited candidates prior to the interview

Depending on how many applications we get, there might also be an extra stage before the video interview, for example a phone interview or a technical exercise.

In the event we receive a high volume of applications, we will conduct the initial sift against the lead criteria which is: **Please describe a time you established and then managed relationships with key stakeholders? This question will be assessed based on the Civil Service Behaviour Communicating and Influencing (limit: 250 words)**

In the Civil Service, we use [Success Profiles](#) to evaluate your skills and ability. This gives us the best possible chance of finding the right person for the job, increases performance and improves diversity and inclusivity. We'll be assessing your technical abilities, skills, experience and behaviours that are relevant to this role.

For this role we'll be assessing you against the following [Civil Service Behaviours](#):

communicating and influencing

working together

making effective decisions

developing self and others

We'll also be assessing your experience and specialist technical skills against the following skills defined in the Government Digital and Data Capability Framework for the [Senior Business Relationship Manager](#) role:

Stakeholder relationship management (IT operations)

User focus

Business analysis (IT operations)

Continual service improvement

Want to know more about who Government Digital and Data are? [Click Here](#)

Recruitment Timeline

Sift completion: Friday 20th February 2026

Panel interviews: Starting from Friday 27th February 2026

Candidates that do not pass the interview but have demonstrated an acceptable standard may be considered for similar roles at a lower grade.

A reserve list will be held for a period of 12 months, from which further appointments can be made.

The Civil Service is committed to attract, retain and invest in talent wherever it is found. To learn more please see the [Civil Service People Plan](#) and [the Civil Service D&I Strategy](#).

Please note that this role requires SC clearance, which would normally need 5 years UK residency in the past 5 years. This is not an absolute requirement, but supplementary checks may be needed where individuals have not lived in the UK for that period. This may mean your security clearance (and therefore your appointment) will take longer or, in some cases, not be possible.

For meaningful checks to be carried out, you will need to have lived in the UK for a sufficient period of time, to enable appropriate checks to be carried out and produce a result which provides the required level of assurance. Whilst a lack of UK residency in itself is not necessarily a bar to a security clearance, and expectation of UK residency may range from 3 to 5 years. Failure to meet the residency requirements needed for the role may result in the withdrawal of provisional jobs offers.

Sponsorship

DSIT cannot offer Visa sponsorship to candidates through this campaign. DSIT holds a Visa sponsorship licence but this can only be used for certain roles and this campaign does not qualify.

Feedback will only be provided if you attend an interview or assessment.

Security

Successful candidates must undergo a criminal record check.

Successful candidates must meet the security requirements before they can be appointed. The level of security needed is [security check \(opens in a new window\)](#).

[See our vetting charter \(opens in a new window\)](#).

People working with government assets must complete [baseline personnel security standard \(opens in new window\)](#) checks.

Nationality requirements

This job is broadly open to the following groups:

UK nationals

nationals of the Republic of Ireland

nationals of Commonwealth countries who have the right to work in the UK

nationals of the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein and

family members of those nationalities with settled or pre-settled status

under the [European Union Settlement Scheme \(EUSS\) \(opens in a new window\)](#)

nationals of the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein and
family members of those nationalities who have made a valid application
for settled or pre-settled status under the European Union Settlement
Scheme (EUSS)

individuals with limited leave to remain or indefinite leave to remain who
were eligible to apply for EUSS on or before 31 December 2020

Turkish nationals, and certain family members of Turkish nationals, who
have accrued the right to work in the Civil Service

[Further information on nationality requirements \(opens in a new window\)](#)

Working for the Civil Service

The [Civil Service Code \(opens in a new window\)](#) sets out the standards of behaviour expected of civil servants.

We recruit by merit on the basis of fair and open competition, as outlined in

the Civil Service Commission's [recruitment principles](#) (opens in a new window).

The Civil Service embraces diversity and promotes equal opportunities. As such, we run a Disability Confident Scheme (DCS) for candidates with disabilities who meet the minimum selection criteria.

Diversity and Inclusion

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Apply and further information

This vacancy is part of the [Great Place to Work for Veterans](#) (opens in a new window) initiative.

The Civil Service welcomes applications from people who have recently left prison or have an unspent conviction. [Read more about prison leaver recruitment](#) (opens in new window).

Once this job has closed, the job advert will no longer be available. You may want to save a copy for your records.

Contact point for applicants

Job contact :

Name : gdsrecruitment@dsit.gov.uk

Email : gdsrecruitment@dsit.gov.uk

Recruitment team

Email : gdsrecruitment@dsit.gov.uk

Further information

If you feel your application has not been treated in accordance with the Recruitment Principles and you wish to make a complaint, you should contact gds-complaints@dsit.gov.uk in the first instance.

If you are not satisfied with the response you receive you can contact the Civil Service Commission by email: info@csc.gov.uk Or in writing: Civil Service Commission, Room G/8 1 Horse Guards Road, London, SW1A 2HQ.

