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EXECUTIVE CHEF OPPORTUNITY FOR MATURING CHEF LOOKING FOR WORK/LIFE BALANCE

Pavilion at the Park is located in the heart of Bedford Park.
An all-day casual coffee bar cafe destination.
The restaurant is open 7 days a week, all year round.

About BEDFORD: Whether you like high-octane thrills & motorsports or if you're interested in history and the arts, or simply want to relax and enjoy quiet, unspoilt countryside, Bedford and north Bedfordshire are increasingly popular destinations for visitors and those looking to work in the UK. The county town of Bedford is in one of England's smallest counties, flanked east and west by tourist hotspots like Oxford and Cambridge and just a 35 minute train journey from central London. Renowned as having one of the finest riverside county town settings in the country, Bedford Borough is a vibrant area to live in with an abundance of leisure opportunities for residents and visitors. We pride ourselves on offering a fantastic programme of cultural and epicurean events throughout the year, and a wide range of health opportunities, through our quality parks, award winning leisure centres and sports development programme. The nearby town of Milton Keynes has a large shopping mall and is a short bus or train ride away. Road and transport links are fantastic from Bedford to the whole of the UK and Europe via St Pancras International. Luton airport is only 30 minutes by car or direct by train, other airports nearby are Stansted, Birmingham, Heathrow and Gatwick, all within 1hour and 30 minutes by train or car.

About this POSITION: If you are an ambitious Chef with a passion for fresh food and an aptitude for creating a great customer experience, keen to grow your skillset and seeking a new challenge, read on.

We are looking for an individual who has a deep interest in progressing within an exciting growing company and wishes to use and develop both their cooking and management skills. The Executive Chef will be responsible for the day to day running of the kitchen, and will be an integral member of the management team.

The successful candidate will be hands-on, working to produce and deliver a contemporary range of changing menus to include breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea and private functions, featuring locally sourced produce with an emphasis on quality and originality. Reporting to the business owners, the Chef Manager will be responsible for menu planning, setting and delivering consistently high standards and managing food costs. The successful candidate will lead and train the kitchen team, focussing on the development and progression of all kitchen staff.

We are growing as the go-to destination in Bedford for first class food and service, combined with good value, variety and consistency while making the most of our unusual location in the centre of Bedford Park. This has proven to be a successful formula; where other hospitality businesses locally have failed, we continue to maintain high standards, win awards and go from strength to strength. An adaptable approach is required as we continue to build our reputation, reaching out to regular and new visitors alike. The successful candidate will manage the team in a calm, efficient and effective manner, offering support, guidance and training to junior staff - there is no place for Gordon Ramsay style histrionics in our kitchen.

As the Executive Chef you will have a stable background and have a proven track record in similar forward thinking restaurant businesses. You will be an excellent communicator, building productive relationships with suppliers, customers and staff alike, and you will be happy to work as part of a team. You will need to manage people and paperwork efficiently and effectively.

The company offers flexible working hours within a 5 day working week and 2 or 3 evenings a week. We believe in equal opportunities and offer favourable T&C's. There is an option of onsite accommodation should this be required.

If this sounds like your kind of position, then please forward us your CV immediately as this position is to be filled ASAP. Salary negotiable, subject to experience and expertise.

*****All Applicants must be eligible to live and work in the UK - proof of eligibility required*****

*Please note that due to high level of applications received; only successful candidates will be contacted.
References and qualification certificates must be provided.*