

# **Web specification for the Scottish Register for Language Professionals with the Deaf Community (SRLPDC)**

## **Background**

The Scottish Association of Sign Language Interpreters (SASLI) was the voluntary regulatory body for language and communication professionals working with Deaf and Deafblind people in Scotland. Following on from a review of its work, the Scottish Register for Language Professionals with the Deaf Community (SRLPDC) has been set up to hold and manage the Scottish Register of Language Professionals.

## **Who we are**

SRLPDC is a small Third Sector organisation. It comprises a Board of 6 people who are all volunteers and 1 part-time employee.

## **What we need from our website and who will use it**

Our website will be the “go to” place for anyone looking for a Language Professional to provide language support for Deaf and Deafblind people across Scotland. We are not a service provider – people cannot come to us to book an interpreter. Those using the site may be hearing professionals who need a British Sign Language (BSL)/English Interpreter to interpret at a meeting with a Deaf or Deafblind BSL user; or a Deaf or Deafblind person looking for a BSL/English Interpreter to interpret at a social event, a christening, a wedding or a funeral.

The website also needs to have our Register standards and other similar information on it.

## **Website specification**

- The SRLPDC website needs to be accessible. It should be built following the Scottish Accessible Information Forum guidance - <http://www.saifscotland.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Making-websites-accessible-Nov-2015.pdf>

Pages need to be fixed and clear – maximum contrast – black on white. Photographs or pictures need to be appropriate, accessible and show the diversity in the community. Any symbols used should be from the Bonnington Symbol Set:

<http://www.tomorraccessibility.co.uk/bss.htm>

- We need to have SEO built in; for example, language; communication; Deaf; Deafblind; BSL – full list is available.
- Have to set up a domain name. Domain name, for example: [www.ScottishRegisterforLPDC.org](http://www.ScottishRegisterforLPDC.org) or [www.ScotRegisterforLanguageProfessionals](http://www.ScotRegisterforLanguageProfessionals) or something similar. Can be .org; .scot; .net.
- We need email addresses attached to the domain name – capacity to have up to 14.
- There needs to be four private sections – one for Board members; the other for Language Professionals to be able to update their own details, possibly similar to the SASLI one: <http://www.sasli.org.uk/sasli3/wp-login.php>

The other two will be for Language Professionals to upload CPD information and for the Register to upload information. This should be similar to the NRCPD area. We can put you in touch with NRCPD to find out more.

- We need to be able to either embed videos into pages or link to YouTube and Vimeo so that we can have a fully bilingual website. Bilingual to us is English and British Sign Language. For example, see ASLI: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Sjfp2qFDIE&feature=youtu.be>
- We need to be able to link social media to the website.
- It will have to have search facilities such as the two on the NRCPD website – “Find a Communication Professional” and “Check the Register”: <https://www.nrcpd.org.uk/>
- The site needs to be secure and have an SSL certificate.
- The website has to be easy to use and update – for example, build on Wordpress or GoDaddy. It should not rely on additions in HTML and no Beaver Builder.

- Any costs of hosting should be annual costs.

## **Budget**

For Build: £2,000

For registration of domain name/registration: maximum of £600

## **Timescale**

The website should be ready for handover no more than two months after the contract is signed. We will provide text for each page at the start of the contract to allow pages to be set up.

Any delay in completion/handover will result in financial penalty.

## **Process**

Please send your expression of interest to us at [mail@sasli.co.uk](mailto:mail@sasli.co.uk) by Friday 28 February 2020 at noon.

You will be invited to an interview with the SRLPDC Board the following week.