

## **PERMANENT PART-TIME LIVE-OUT HOUSEKEEPER COOK**

**CHELSEA | LONDON | GB**

**Salary: £20–£25 per hour gross**

### **PHS Job 3549**

A professional couple based in the highly sought-after area of Chelsea, London, is seeking an experienced, dependable, and highly organised Part-Time Housekeeper to take responsibility for the smooth day-to-day upkeep of their private residence. Chelsea offers an attractive and refined working environment, renowned for its elegant residential streets, excellent local amenities, and convenient transport connections.

The principals live in a lovely, well-presented three-bedroom, three-bathroom home that is comfortable, thoughtfully maintained, and manageable in size. They are looking for a capable Housekeeper who will take genuine pride in preserving the property's welcoming atmosphere and ensuring that it remains immaculate, orderly, and beautifully cared for at all times. There are no young children or pets at the property, which allows for even greater flexibility and balance.

Both principals have demanding professional schedules and generally leave the residence by 9:00 AM, returning late in the evening. The successful candidate will therefore be trusted to work independently, manage their time effectively, and ensure that all agreed duties are completed to a consistently high standard without the need for close supervision.

Reliability, diligence, and attention to detail are particularly important in this position. The family travels frequently and requires someone who can confidently manage packing and unpacking, keep track of clothing and personal belongings, and ensure that nothing is misplaced or overlooked. The Housekeeper must have excellent knowledge of garment care, laundry procedures, ironing, fabric labels, and appropriate dry-cleaning requirements. The principals are seeking someone who understands how to care for valuable and delicate items and who will approach every task carefully.

Alongside general housekeeping and laundry duties, the role may occasionally include preparing simple evening meals. The family enjoys traditional English and European-style home cooking and prefers uncomplicated, lightly seasoned dishes rather than heavily spiced cuisine. Cooking is not a core requirement of the position but would be considered a welcome additional skill.

The role will operate Monday to Friday, with approximately four to six working hours per day. The family can offer some flexibility regarding the precise schedule, provided that the agreed duties are completed reliably and to a high standard. Additional hours may occasionally be required when the principals are preparing to travel, returning from a trip, or needing extra household support.

This position would suit a professional Housekeeper who is conscientious, trustworthy, proactive, and committed to providing long-term consistency. The successful candidate will understand the

importance of discretion and confidentiality and will be confident managing the residence while the principals are at work or travelling.

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**Only applicants with a valid right to work in the United Kingdom will be considered for this position.**

**Type:** Part-Time, Permanent, Live-Out

**Working Days:** Monday to Friday

**Working Hours:** 4–6 hours per day

**Language:** Good spoken English is essential

**Children:** No dependent children residing at the property

**Pets:** No

**Salary:** £20–£25 per hour gross

**Location:** Chelsea, London

**Starting Date:** 1 September 2026

## **Duties & Responsibilities**

- Maintaining the three-bedroom, three-bathroom residence to a consistently high standard
- General cleaning, tidying, and presentation of bedrooms, bathrooms, reception areas, and the kitchen
- Managing all household laundry, including washing, ironing, folding, bed linen, and towels
- Providing careful and knowledgeable care of garments, delicate fabrics, and valuable clothing
- Coordinating dry-cleaning collections and ensuring all items are treated appropriately
- Maintaining organised wardrobes, cupboards, drawers, and household storage areas
- Packing and unpacking for the principals' frequent travel and keeping track of personal belongings
- Receiving deliveries and liaising reliably with couriers, suppliers, and service providers
- Monitoring and restocking household, laundry, and cleaning supplies
- Occasionally preparing simple, lightly-seasoned English or European-style meals, where required
- Providing additional support before and after the principals' trips
- Maintaining discretion, confidentiality, and the highest professional standards at all times

## Minimum Requirements

- A minimum of three years' professional housekeeping experience within a private household
- Excellent knowledge of laundry, ironing, garment care, and delicate fabrics
- Experience with wardrobe management and packing for frequent travel
- Highly organised, dependable, punctual, and attentive to detail
- Confident working independently and using initiative
- Good spoken English
- At least two excellent, verbally checkable references
- Valid right to work in the United Kingdom
- Current DBS certificate or willingness to obtain one

## USPs

- Permanent, long-term position with a professional private household
- Competitive salary of £20–£25 per hour gross, depending on experience
- Regular Monday-to-Friday schedule with 4–6 hours per day
- Some flexibility around the daily working hours
- Manageable three-bedroom, three-bathroom residence
- Calm, pet-free adult household with no childcare responsibilities
- Independent working environment with clear and straightforward duties
- Excellent Chelsea location, with cooking welcomed only as an additional skill

## Project Assessment for Employer

### BENEFITS

1. Excellent Chelsea location with strong appeal to experienced London-based Housekeepers
2. Manageable three-bedroom, three-bathroom residence with clearly defined duties
3. Permanent Monday-to-Friday position offering stability and consistency
4. Calm adult household with no childcare, pet care, or formal service requirements
5. Competitive hourly rate of £20–£25 gross
6. Cooking is only a bonus, helping to keep the candidate pool broad

### CHALLENGES

1. The 4–6-hour daily range means the weekly income could vary a little; some candidates might welcome greater clarity around a guaranteed minimum.
2. A five-day commitment may not suit everyone, particularly those balancing other part-time roles, especially since the total hours sit just below full-time.
3. The September start date may mean the opportunity is less suited to candidates who are looking to begin right away.

Overall, this is an attractive and realistic position. The working pattern is the main aspect that would benefit from a bit more clarity. Confirming a guaranteed minimum number of weekly hours and a consistent core schedule would help candidates assess the role more easily and make it even more appealing to experienced professionals.