



ELLESMERE PORT & ROSSMORE PRIDE IN PLACE NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD MEMBER ROLE

Purpose of Role and Person Specification

1. Background and context

Ellesmere Port has an amazing history of connecting people and places. Known for being the home of Vauxhall cars from the 1970s to 2010, home of Cheshire Oaks Designer Outlet Village, home of the National Waterways Museum, Theatre Porto and home of more than 67,795 proud residents.

To build on this unique identity and community connection Ellesmere Port and Rossmore has been awarded £20 million community focused funding as part of UK Governments Pride in Place initiative. What makes this funding unique is not only that it is for 10 years but that how it is spent is to be informed and decided on by a Neighbourhood Board.

Building on Ellesmere Port's history of connecting people and places, this programme puts influence and decision making into the hands of local people enabling everyone in these communities to have a say in what happens and how it is done.

This opportunity is about pride in our place, pride in our communities and a fantastic opportunity to link communities; their homes, businesses and spaces, and investment to make a meaningful impact now and over the next 10 years for generations to come.

The programme needs local energy, passion and commitment. If you want to be part of the Neighbourhood Board to share your knowledge, skills and expertise and be part of Pride in Ellesmere Port please read on, we look forward to receiving your application.

2. Purpose of Role

1. To join the Ellesmere Port & Rossmore Pride in Place Neighbourhood Board to develop and deliver a Vision and Investment Plan that will set out how the investment of up to £20 Million of Government funding will provide sustained benefits for this community and have positive impact on the wider social and economic landscape.
2. To support the Chair, to be an advocate of this Pride in Place programme at a local level and to carry out extensive engagement across the community to ensure that all voices are heard, including those who are less frequently represented or marginalised. Provide ongoing feedback and follow-up to community groups engaged in the process.
3. To actively participate in the debate and deliberations of Ellesmere Port & Rossmore Pride in Place Board and be part of all relevant decision-making processes.
4. To work with MP and others on Pride in Place Programmes including relevant project streams and initiatives.
5. To be collaborative and considered in approach, being aware of any relevant conflicts of interest and documenting them accordingly.
6. Alongside the Chair and other Board Members, uphold the Nolan principles of public life: integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership.
7. To comply with the Terms of Reference of the Pride in Place Board (once adopted).
8. To represent and be a champion of the Ellesmere Port & Rossmore Pride in Place Neighbourhood Board at events and as part of the ongoing engagement process with the local communities.

3. What sort of person is the Board looking for?

Your knowledge of Ellesmere Port & Rossmore and their communities, your experience personally and professionally, your local networks, your desire to engage effectively and a real passion for making meaningful change would be valued.

You **might** fall into one of these categories locally:

- a resident
- a business person
- work for a local charity
- a local campaigner
- a philanthropist
- a representative from a school or further education college
- a representative from a local NHS Trust
- a representative from a faith-based organisation
- a representative from a sports club
- an arts or cultural practitioner
- an innovator

We have no fixed criteria about your role in the community or your profession or job. What we do want is someone who is committed, engaged and keen to contribute to achieving great success in Ellesmere Port & Rossmore.

4. Person specification

- You are dynamic and have a real energy and passion for all things Ellesmere Port & Rossmore, motivated and committed to improving the area. You have an understanding of local community issues.
- You understand the need to work collaboratively and at pace.
- You have a clear focus on priorities and will get things done.
- You display drive and ambition for the benefit of the local community.
- You have a track record of partnership working.
- You have strong and effective communication skills and the ability to work collaboratively with partners and residents.
- You can advocate for and champion Ellesmere Port & Rossmore.
- You demonstrate confidentiality, respect and trust.
- You are honest and trustworthy.
- You can be available and commit time to the Board.

5. Terms

This role is voluntary and not remunerated however costs or expenses incurred in discharging your duties as a Board Member can be reimbursed. Such costs may include travel or other, receipts will be required for all expense claims.

The time commitment is anticipated to be in the region of one to two days per month but may vary. The initial term of appointment will be for three years with an additional three years possible, with the consent of Chair and Board.

Meetings are likely, for at least the first year to be monthly, but could be more frequent. The timings and locations of Board meetings will be agreed by the Chair and Board with the Council.

Successful candidates will be required to register any potential conflicts of interest. All Board members will be required to abide by a Code of Conduct and the Nolan Principles (Seven Principles of Public Life).

6. How to apply for this role

If you think that this role might be for you, please email your Expression of Interest to PrideinPlace@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Your Expression of Interest email should provide the following information: -

- **Say how you are connected to the geographical area and community that the Neighbourhood Board will represent.**
- **Provide details of your address or place of employment.**
- **Detail why you want to join the board including demonstrating your motivation and commitment to driving change to improve Ellesmere Port & Rossmore.**
- **What skills, experience or local knowledge would you bring to the Neighbourhood Board.**

Deadline for submission of applications is 12 noon Thursday 4th June.

Provisional Dates for Interview are 12th June & 19th June