

Pride in Place Chairperson – Twerton and Whiteway

Job description

External

Hours: Up to 4 days a month

Contract Type: Voluntary - engagement expected for 18 months to approximately 31/10/27 subject to extension with the approval of the Neighbourhood Board

Remuneration: whilst this is a volunteer role, we recognise the need to recompense the investment of your time, therefore we will reimburse your time up to 4 days per month (£30 per hour).

Bath & North East Somerset Council is looking for a passionate, driven and motivated individual to lead the Twerton and Whiteway Pride in Place programme as a volunteer.

Pride in Place is bringing up to £20 million of funding to Twerton and Whiteway to help improve opportunities for everyone over the next ten years. The programme is community-led and puts decision making in hands of local people. Any member of the local community can get involved and play their part.

A new Neighbourhood Board will be set up to manage the programme and be champions of the local community. The Board will be led by you, an independent Chairperson.

As the Chairperson you will provide strategic and dynamic leadership for the Neighbourhood Board. There are no specific qualifications required for this role, but you must be:

- Passionate about Twerton and Whiteway
- A strong leader
- Fair and balanced
- An excellent communicator and listener
- Have the ability to manage, negotiate and resolve competing priorities
- Open to learning and development opportunities
- Committed to ensuring an approach that supports diversity and inclusion
- Able to meet the time commitment

Anyone who is 'from', living or working in the Twerton and Whiteway Ward; holds a prominent role in the community; or has a passion for the place is eligible to apply for the Chairperson.

In this role, you may not be an elected official e.g. A Member of Parliament, Cabinet Member, or Ward Councillor. In addition, you may not have any familial connections to the elected representatives currently in these roles.

Please read the role description linked below for more information on skills and attributes required as well as the duty the Chairperson is expected to undertake.

Location: Flexible with an expectation to attend in-person Board meetings, meet members of the community and attend site visits, meetings and events in Twerton and Whiteway as well as Bath and further afield.

Application closing date: 22nd March 2026

Interview date: w/c 30th March 2026 (subject to change)

Application process

To apply please fill out the online application form and submit a short CV (maximum one page) alongside a covering letter (maximum two pages), via the B&NES recruitment portal.

The covering letter should clearly cover

- Why you would like to be Chairperson
- What your connection to Twerton and Whiteway is
- Why you are passionate about the local community
- Why you are the best person for the opportunity, considering the skills and attributes set out in the role description.

Please note that the online application form is standard and we are unable to remove mandatory questions. Questions may feel unrelated to role; we encourage candidates to respond to them to the best of their ability. All information will be held securely in line with data protection protocols.

Once the application period has closed, shortlisted candidates will be contacted and invited for an interview.

The interview panel will be community-led and comprise respected members of the local community, alongside Council representatives. Interview questions will be scored and will focus on values rather than experience. For example we may ask, *'What qualities do you hold that make you an excellent leader?'*

As vested members of the community, it is reasonable that applicants may have interests that may indirectly benefit from the Board's work. This does not preclude individuals from applying for the Chairperson position, but a register of interest must be filled out.

We are committed to encouraging a diverse, inclusive and competitive application process. We are a Disability Confident employer. If you need support or assistance during the application process, please contact the recruitment team

Email: recruitment@bathnes.gov.uk

Phone: 01225 395146

Interested to find out more?

If you are interested in this position and require more details or simply want to chat through the role and what's involved please contact Georgi Tyler, Bath Place Manager

Email: bath_places@bathnes.gov.uk

Phone: 01225 394031

Or alternatively join us at our engagement events between 27th February and 8th March, held at The Annex, Bath Foyer, Dominion Road, Twerton, BA2 1DF.

More information about the engagement events can be found at bathnesplaces.co.uk/regen.

ROLE SPECIFIC CRITERIA

Post Title:	Pride in Place Chairperson
Role Profile Name:	N/A
Role Profile No:	N/A
Role Profile Cluster:	N/A
Date:	10/02/2026
Specific Qualifications & Level:	
- There are no specific qualifications require for this role. - Anyone who is 'from', living or working in the Twerton and Whiteway Ward; holds a prominent role in the community; or has a passion for the place is eligible to apply for the Chairperson	
Skills and attributes	
Essential - Motivated and driven with a strong passion for the Twerton and Whiteway community - Committed to a community-led approach - Strong leaderships skills with the ability to delegate effectively - Respectful, fair and balanced; calm under pressure with an ability to remain impartial and manage diverse stakeholder interests - Strong facilitation, negotiation and consensus-building skills - Approachable, collaborative with excellent communication and listening skills - An ability to create inclusive environments and ensure that diverse voices are heard - A strategic and creative approach to problem-solving with an ability to understand large quantities of information and evaluate a range of options - An ability to identify, manage and mitigate risks, escalating as necessary. - An awareness of their own knowledge gaps and open to learning, feedback and development Desirable - Excellent financial acuity with a track record of overseeing budgets - Ability to prepare and oversee the execution of high-quality reports, databases and plans - An interest in mentoring and upskilling others	

Duties Specific to this Role:			
• Provide strategic and dynamic leadership for the Board and be a champion of the local community • Uphold the community-led spirit of the programme • Act as the public face of the Neighbourhood Board and be visible within the community • Appoint the Neighbourhood Board with support from the Council • Convene and lead Neighbourhood Boards meetings, initially at 6 weeks intervals • Ensure that agendas and minutes are issued in line with UK Government guidance for the programme • Ensure that members of the Neighbourhood Board comply with Terms of Reference and Code of Conduct at all times • Adhere to Nolan Principles and all relevant legislation • Attend community engagement events • Engage with other regional Pride in Place programmes and participate in networking events.			
DBS:	n/a	Basic	Enhanced
Politically Restricted:	Yes		No
Specify why (refer to guidance):	In this role, you may not also be an elected official e.g. A Member of Parliament, Cabinet Member, or Ward Councillor. This is a non-political role.		
Any Other checks – please specify:	n/a		
Driving Licence:	Yes		No
Travel:	Yes		
Yes, but occasional and arranged in advance e.g. networking events or conference			
Outside of Normal Working Hours:	Yes		No
Yes, but occasional and arranged in advance.			
Standby/Callout:	Yes		No
Budget Responsibilities:			
None.			
Revenue Budget:	£:	-	
Income Target:	£:	-	
Expenditure:	£:	-	