

Cardiff Capital Region City Deal

Advertisement for Board Members for the Regional Economic Growth Partnership

As part of the City Deal, the Cardiff Capital Region is seeking to appoint Board Members for the Regional Economic Growth Partnership (REGP), which is currently being established.

The REGP will directly advise the Joint Cabinet and will be responsible for reviewing the Regional Economic Strategy and advise on City Deal Investment proposals. It will also have an advocacy role, promoting the Region as a prime investor and visitor location.

Role description

The Regional Economic Growth Partnership will be responsible for:

- Reviewing and commenting on the Regional Economic Strategy
- Providing review and challenge to investment decisions
- Providing an advocacy role for the city-region
- Promoting the uptake of external funding sources
- Providing advice on proposed interventions
- Acting as a named consultee for the Cardiff Capital Region Cabinet

Board Members will be responsible for working with the Chair of the Regional Economic Growth Partnership in discharging these responsibilities.

Composition of the Board

The Board will consist of a Chair and between 6 and 12 members. Collectively, the Board's membership will cover the following areas:

Stakeholder group		Suggested number of representatives
Private sector business	<i>Representing businesses of all sectors and sizes</i>	5
Employee bodies	<i>Representing employees in all sectors and types of company</i>	1
Local government	<i>Representatives from the Joint Cabinet</i>	2

Education and skills	<i>Representing higher and further education, skills and training</i>	2
Third sector	<i>Representing social enterprise, community development, charities and voluntary sector</i>	1

Applicants should be able to demonstrate that they are able to play a representative role for one of the identified sectors above and the intention will be to appoint private sector members from a range of backgrounds reflecting the city-region's strength.

Terms of appointment

Board members will be appointed on a two year fixed term basis with the maximum number of terms limited to two. The time commitment, whilst flexible, will average 1 day a month, though the level of commitment will fluctuate across the term. The positions are not remunerated, but appropriate expenses will be paid.

Required skills and attributes

Collectively, the Board should have the following knowledge, skills and experience:

- Understanding of the economy and politics of the city region and Wales
- Understanding of economic growth and policy beyond the region, and beyond Wales. The membership must have an outward-looking mind-set which draws on other regions' experiences.
- A wide network of contacts across the UK and internationally
- Experience of analysing and assessing commercial, technical and financial information in order to provide quality advice to public sector decision-makers
- Experience of providing evidence-based and impartial advice on projects and initiatives, particularly in relation to their viability and impact on economy and employment issues
- Experience of working on Inward Investment strategies and campaigns and willingness and ability to participate in Regional campaigns and in the nurturing of potential investment opportunities
- An understanding of the key growth sectors for the Region as identified by the Growth and Competitiveness Commission
- The ability to work as an advocate for their sector

Required background and experience

Board Members should have the following background and experience:

- Experience of representing private, public and civic sectors organisations or sectors and the differing views of wider stakeholders
- Senior leadership experience
- Have a wide network of public, private and government contacts which extends the region and beyond Wales
- Experience of representing an organisation at a local and national level

Applying for the role of Board Member

If you are interested in becoming a Board Member for the Regional Economic Growth Partnership, please forward a copy of your CV, with a brief supporting statement (no more than 1 side of A4) to jday@cardiff.gov.uk. The closing date for submissions is 24th November. Further details can be seen in the Cardiff Capital Region Cabinet Report of 14th July 2017 which can be accessed [here](#).

If you have any queries on the position please contact Jonathan Day by email at jday@cardiff.gov.uk.