

# Could you be a founding board member for The Guernsey Institute?

The Committee for Education, Sport & Culture is seeking governors to establish the new board for The Guernsey Institute from 1 July 2019. The board will make a valuable contribution to the education of young people and adults in the Bailiwick, ensuring that the new organisation provides professional, high quality and exciting opportunities to develop both the current and future workforce.

# Making a positive difference

Becoming a governor is a challenging but hugely rewarding role. It will give you the chance to make a real difference to learners, give something back to your local community, as well as use and develop your skills in a board-level environment.

#### Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture

The governing board for The Guernsev Institute will need to have a balance and diversity of knowledge, skills and experience in order to be effective. Anyone over the age of 18 can be a governor. There is no requirement to have an understanding of education, but it is essential that you have the time and the relevant skills to contribute to the organisation. There will be training provided to help you learn about education. The Guernsev Institute needs, and will benefit from, a range of professional knowledge on the governing board including education, finance, human resources, legal, marketing and public relations, property and estates management and organisational change.



## What does a Governor do?

- Use your own experience of education and life beyond to inform conversations
- Develop and utilise your skills in a board-level environment
- Make a valuable contribution to education and your community
- Support and challenge The Guernsey Institute so that it provides the very best for students and staff
- Bring your unique experiences, perspectives and insights in to decision-making in the interests of The Guernsey Institute's community

# What does it involve?

The average time commitment is five to eight hours per month, although it will vary depending on the emerging needs of The Guernsey Institute. This includes meetings, background reading and visits. As well as full governing board meetings, the board may choose to introduce various committees. Governance is a voluntary role and therefore it is not paid.

### **Interested?**

To express an interest in becoming a governor of The Guernsey Institute please complete the online expression of interest by **clicking here** before Wednesday 22 May.

## What happens next?

The Committee for Education, Sport & Culture will review all expressions of interest to create the new board. Reference will also be sought before confirming the decision to appoint governors so you should be prepared to provide these if requested. A 'Declaration of Interests' form will need to be completed where you should list any conflicts of interest including loyalty and financial interests. An enhanced DBS check will also be required and the appointment as a board member will be subject to this. Once this is all in place, the full governing board can begin its work.

If you would like to find out more information or meet to discuss the role or process in more depth, please email educationfuture@gov.gg or by calling 733084.