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# **Board Director Vacancy:** Role Description

Get Out More is a social enterprise on a mission to help people engage with nature to feel better in mind and body. We are seeking additional Board Director who supports our mission and who can bring their skills, knowledge and experience and to help us grow and achieve our vision.

#### **About Get Out More**

Get Out More believes we need nature, and nature needs us now more than ever. We are a social enterprise that exists to connect communities and nature so we can all grow healthier together. We run outdoor programmes, including forest schools, community engagement, wellbeing and training programmes, for people of all ages across Bradford and beyond. Using local woodlands and parks, we bring people together, to be active and feel good. Our programmes deliver impact, helping people feel closer to their community and proud of where they live and developing skills and confidence to help people access nature and take care of their local green spaces.

#### **Purpose of the Role**

The social enterprise is led by a team of six non-executive Directors and a Board Advisor who bring their experience and skills to provide invaluable support to guide the organisation to success, including our strategic priority to secure new premises to enable the next stage of our development. The Board of Directors meet quarterly to review our strategic direction, measured against our key performance indicators. Directors also provide advice to the staff team according to their own expertise from their field of work or personal experience.

Our current board includes Directors and an Advisor with expertise in research, finance, marketing health and safety and governance. We are keen that our Board understands the issues facing marginalised communities including low income families, BAME communities and people experiencing disadvantage, such as poverty, ill health, disability etc. so that we can make informed decisions that reflect the needs of our communities. We welcome applications from all sections of the community and are particularly interested to hear from individual who meet any of the following criteria:

- Women
- People who live within Bradford district who have experience of our programmes
- People who reflect the diversity of the communities whom we support

### **Person Specification**

- An individual who can bring their experience and skills to support Get Out More's future direction
- Leadership skills
- Friendly, approachable, supportive but able to question and challenge when required.
- An interest and commitment to Get Out More's vision and mission

### Meetings and time commitment

- The Board of Directors meets at least four times a year (once per quarter). Meetings are held upstairs at the Brown Cow, Bingley or at the organisation's office in Keighley or via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. and typically last 120 minutes.
- Further support to the Managing Director in relation to the Director's expertise and skills

#### **Expectations of all board members:**

- Attend and participate in meetings on a regular basis, and special events as able.
- Be alert to community concerns that can be addressed by Get Out More CIC's mission, objectives, and programs.
- Help communicate and promote Get Out More CIC's mission and programmes to the community.
- Become familiar with Get Out More CIC's finances, budget, and financial/resource needs.
- Understand the policies and procedures of Get Out More CIC.

Get Out More Board Director is a non-remunerated post but reasonable expenses will be paid.

## **How to Apply**

If you would like to be considered to join the Get Out More Board, please email Managing Director Annie Berrington with a one page letter outlining why you would like to become a Director, highlighting how your qualities, experience and skills fit the requirements of the role.

If you would like an informal chat about the role before submitting an expression of interest, please contact Annie on the contact details at the top of the letterhead.

Suitable applicants will be invited to meet the board and shadow a Board meeting before deciding if they intend to stand for the role. To secure the position, prospective Board Directors need to gain a nomination from an existing Director and secure a majority vote from the Board.

