

Appointment of an Independent Member of the Audit and Standards Committee

Independent member of the Audit and Standards Committee Allowance £500 p.a.

Broxbourne Borough Council is seeking an Independent Member to join its Audit and Standards Committee. The Audit and Standards Committee is a key component of the Council's corporate governance. It provides an independent and high-level focus on the audit, assurance and reporting arrangements that underpin good governance and financial standards.

The Committee is looking for people ideally with a local connection and with an interest in finance and/or governance to enhance the Audit and Standards Committees' work on behalf of the people of the Borough. The aim of the independent member is to bring a fresh and objective viewpoint to the work of the Audit and Standards Committee and support them to carry out their work.

Experience and Knowledge

Applicants will be an impartial, independent-minded person who might also have experience in Audit, Finance, Governance or Risk Management. The ideal candidate will be a good communicator, inquisitive, open minded and non-judgmental. They should be able to analyse information and ask questions effectively, as well as interested in local issues and public service.

Commitment

The Committee meets approximately four times a year (in the evening). There is a requirement in between meetings to read agendas and related papers.

Additional requirements

You cannot already be a member or officer at the Council nor have been so in the preceding five years prior to appointment. Cannot be closely associated with anyone who is now a member or employee of the Council. Need to have no unspent criminal convictions (Rehabilitation of Offenders Act applies). Must not be undischarged bankrupt. Should have no significant business dealings with the Council, which could be seen to be prejudicial to a person's independence or represent a conflict of interests. Should have no connection with any political group or be engaged in any party political activity.

Payment

The Independent Member will receive a fixed annual allowance (£500 per annum) and their travelling and subsistence expenses will be paid.

Applications

The Council is committed to safer recruitment, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. It is expected that all staff and volunteers share this commitment.

Applications should be made in writing to Sandra Beck, Director of Finance, Borough of Broxbourne Council, Bishops' College, Churchgate, Cheshunt, EN8 9XQ, ideally supported by a recent CV and/or covering letter. Email submissions can be made to Sandra Beck via Toni Lobosco, Personal Assistant, toni.lobosco@broxbourne.gov.uk by 5pm Friday 25 March 2022.