

Call for applications for co-opted members of the Bath City Forum

Could you speak up for Bath and its residents?

Introduction

In August 2015 Bath and North East Somerset Council established The Bath City Forum to improve engagement with local residents, businesses and other organisations and to address specific City-wide issues and priorities.

The Forum works to be advisory and consultative but currently holds no delegated decision-making powers. As well as elected councillors from Bath wards of Bath and North East Somerset Council, the Forum also co-opts up to 13 members who demonstrate a willingness to work in partnership to support the aims of Forum. Co-opted members have voting rights on the Forum.

There is presently one vacancy for a co-opted member to join the forum. Being a member of the Forum is an opportunity to be feed into Council the views of the City of Bath.

The Forum meets at least three times a year with extra events and working groups as agreed by the Forum. The Forum works with relevant Cabinet members and Officers and report back both to the Forum and Cabinet as required.

Further information about the Bath City Forum including [Terms of Reference](#) are available at the [Bath City Forum website](#).

What the role entails

Co-opted membership of the Bath City Forum is a significant voluntary role which will contribute to the life of the City and its residents. The role description is set out below:

- To attend and participate fully in at least three Forum meetings a year
- To engage in other events and working groups that may be arranged to follow up on specific actions or themes
- Outside of meetings, to act as a conduit between the work of the Forum to residents', community and business networks
- To collaborate with other Forum members in gaining a shared understanding of issues facing the City and potential solutions
- To take the lead on specific actions and themes determined by the Forum
- To identify areas for innovation and improvement and to work with others to help deliver agreed projects
- To champion the City and the work of the Forum
- To bring any specialist expertise, knowledge, experience and networks to the work of the Forum

Support will be provided to Forum members, including induction and online resources. Travel expenses will be provided. Co-opted membership will initially be for one year with the option to extend.

Co-opted members will be required to meet standards set out in relevant code of conduct, for example relating to declaration of interests.

How to Apply

To apply for this role, please complete and return the application form to:
bathcityforum@bathnes.gov.uk by noon on **xx xx xx**. Applications will be assessed by a panel
from the Bath City Forum using the Person Specification for the role.