



Vacancy Governing Body Members

Term:	The appointment will be for a first term of office of four years.
Time Commitment:	Corporation meets six times each year, normally at 4.30pm on a Monday. Governors also participate in Committee meetings (some of which are virtual) as well as a strategic away day in November/December.
Salary:	The role is unremunerated.
Specialisms Required:	Post 16 Education Key Stage 3 and 4 Procurement Audit and Risk

Greenhead College is seeking to recruit new external members to the Corporation, the overarching governing body. This provides overall responsibility for the College's mission and strategic vision, ensuring that it is effectively managed with appropriate planning for future developments, overseeing financial sustainability and compliance, and maintaining high standards of education. External members bring knowledge, skill, judgement, and balance to support the professional expertise of the Senior Leadership Team. They will possess the ability to challenge constructively and rigorously and to contribute at a strategic level, combined with the ability to listen sensitively to the views of others.

This is a crucial time for Greenhead College which is an oversubscribed Sixth Form College, located in the town of Huddersfield in the local government district of Kirklees in West Yorkshire. As a consequence of increased numbers of post-16 students in Kirklees, and two years of young people enrolling at the College with their GCSE grades having been internally derived due to the COVID-19 pandemic, student numbers have increased from 2,550 in 2019 to 2,750 in 2022. The College intends to maintain student numbers of approximately 2,750 for the next few years whilst major building work is being carried out on the campus.

The College employs 259 staff, of which 138 are teaching staff and 121 support staff. The College has a local and national reputation as one of the top Sixth Form Colleges in the country and has been rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted for over 25 years. In March 2022, the College was once again graded 'Outstanding' by Ofsted, with no areas of weakness identified. This is testament to the resilience, ambition and success of our students, and the hard work of governors and staff.

In February 2021, the College was announced by the Department for Education (DfE) as one of the first 50 schools/colleges nationally to benefit from government investment to improve the condition of its buildings. Building work started in February 2022 and will conclude in 2025. Stage one will involve the College replacing its outdated Laingspan buildings with a new multi-million pound four-storey teaching block for Biology, Chemistry, Politics and Psychology, and develop more study and social space for students. Additionally, the College is currently seeking to develop enhanced accommodation for sport, drama and music, and to ensure social space for students across the wider site can accommodate the increased numbers that have occurred since 2019.

This is therefore an exciting opportunity to play an important role in delivering these capital projects and sustaining our mission to 'Be exceptional' for our students and local community.

At this time, the College is particularly interested in applications from individuals with strong expertise in the fields of Post 16 Education, Key Stage 3 & 4, Procurement and Audit & Risk.

The College is committed to Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity and particularly welcomes applications from under-represented groups.

Application and selection is by short CV followed by an interview. The closing date for CV submission is Friday 31 March 2023, to Sharon Roper (sroper@greenhead.ac.uk) who can also arrange a discussion with the Chair, if requested.

Greenhead College is committed to safeguarding the welfare of all of its students and staff. The successful candidate will be subject to safer recruitment checks, including an enhanced DBS check. This position is working in regulated activity and therefore exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. Applicants will be required to self-disclose particular criminal convictions should they be shortlisted for interview. Further details can be found within the DBS filtering guide at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-filtering-guidance>