

Company Executive Board Meeting

Thursday 18 February 2021

Private Sector Board Recruitment: Update

Background

1. The LEP currently has two vacancies for private sector representatives to join the Company Executive Board (the Board). The [National](#) (para 125) and Local Assurance Framework requires at least two-thirds of the Board must be representatives from the private sector.
2. The National Assurance Framework also makes provision for the option to co-opt additional Board members with specialist knowledge on a one year basis.
3. The LEP has advertised (via website, social media channels, etc) of the opportunities of joining the Board over recent weeks and has received several applications. A panel is recommended to be mobilised to undertake the appointment process throughout February and March 2021.

Proposed Next Steps

4. It is proposed that an Appointment Panel (the Panel) is established to oversee the recruitment process and that the Panel members comprise:
 - Alun Rogers, Chair of the LEP
 - James Leavesley, Vice-Chair of the LEP & Chair of the SPMG
 - Sara Williams, Equality & Diversity Champion
 - An SME champion (Hannah Ault or Emma Catterall)
 - x2 Board Member(s) (min 1 x Public Sector)
5. It is proposed that the Board confirm the Panel members at this meeting, or by way of a follow up email to the Chair of the LEP on Friday 19th February 2020. Dates for any shortlisting and interviews will follow this meeting c/o the LEP Secretariat to confirm availability.
6. Should any potential co-optee's to the Board be identified through the process, the Panel will update the Board accordingly to agree any proposals or decisions.

Recommendation

That LEP Executive Board Members agree to liaise and mobilise the Panel to oversee the Board appointment process.

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