

Panel member Role Description

Background

Active Partners Trust (APT) was set up in autumn 2017 to work in Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire, bringing together the two county organisations of Derbyshire Sport and Sport Notts. APT is a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee and a registered charity.

In 2017 the APT Board recognised the value of maintaining county-based groups so county panels were set up to oversee the implementation of our strategy, influencing and supporting the work we do in each county. Panel members are not directors/trustees of APT but bring to the table their lived experience, their insight, their networks and their challenge. We are always keen to hear from anyone who is interested in joining one of our panels.

APT has two outward facing brands - Active Notts and Active Derbyshire. APT employs a team of 33 and you can see what we look like [here](#).

To understand what the team do, how we work and the values and behaviours that underpin us, check out our [Join our Team](#) webpage.

We are all, team, board directors and panel members, working to achieve our shared vision described in [Making our Move](#):

Together we will address inequality and empower everyone to be active in a way that works for them

We are a committed ally to inclusion. We believe it is important for our team, our board and our panels to be reflective of the communities we work with. Currently we are not yet where we would like to be. We use lived experience to drive our work, whether it is our own or from residents. We strive to build a culture that celebrates diversity and is inclusive for all, recognising sometimes an equitable approach is needed. We welcome people to join our organisation, as a board member, panel member or employee from all walks of life. You don't need experience in sport and physical activity to join us.

The role of panel members

- Be an advocate for Making our Move within their own communities, organisations and networks
- Open doors to new individuals and organisations with shared agendas
- Be an advisor in their own areas of expertise
- Share insight from their areas of expertise including lived experience and resident voice
- Be critical friends, supporting the team to reflect, review and learn

Time Commitment

The Active Notts and Active Derbyshire panels each meet four times a year. Meetings tend to alternate between face to face meetings and Teams meetings and they currently take place early evenings as many of our panel members work.

Person Specification

Our panels are welcoming and committed groups of people who share with us their experience and their observations. We have reviewed the knowledge and experience of our panel members and we are strong in many areas. We have identified the following knowledge/experience gaps:

- systems thinking and leadership
- understanding resident voice and community engagement
- equity, diversity and inclusion

However, if you don't have the above but you are interested in being a member of one of our panels, we would very much still like to hear from you.

We are looking for new panel members who:

- have a belief in the wider benefits of more active lifestyles (sport, physical activity, walking) to the residents of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire
- have knowledge of one or both counties
- have lived experience and/or can feed in resident voice from the communities we are working in
- have enthusiasm, energy, time and an ability to make things happen.

To apply

To find out more about the panels and how they work, contact kerryn.chamberlin@activepartnertrust.org.uk (Active Notts) or stuart.batchelor@activepartnertrust.org.uk (Active Derbyshire)

You can apply by sending in your CV and covering letter explaining why you are interested in the role of panel member by Sunday 25 February to margaret.blount@activepartnertrust.org.uk

Please note that these are voluntary positions, but reasonable out-of-pocket expenses can be claimed.

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