

Partnership Southwark



Working together to improve health and
wellbeing for the people of Southwark

Voluntary and Community Sector

Board Member

Introduction to the role



Welcome

Hello and thank you for your interest in the role of **Community and Voluntary Sector Board Member for Partnership Southwark**.

Partnership Southwark has an ambitious vision to better join up services and support, tackle the causes of inequality, and improve the health and wellbeing of Southwark residents.

We are looking for people involved in the community and voluntary sector in Southwark who can bring insight and intelligence from the sector to the Partnership Southwark Strategic Board. We recognise the importance of bringing the voice of our diverse communities into the leadership of our borough.

Details about the role

- We are looking for people that have experience of working in a community or voluntary organisation and can share their experience of dealing with official bodies and how this affects their communities
- This is a paid role at a rate of £50 per hour. We expect you to spend a day (8 hours) a month working in this role. The contract will be until 31 March 2024.
- The time is allocated for reading board papers, talking and listening to your colleagues in the sector, working with the Partnership Southwark Communications and Engagement team to suggest a 'Community Spotlight' item for each board meeting, commenting on reports and updates at the board
- Training will be offered to our new board members, and we will also work with you to develop any other training or support that you think would be useful



The board

- The board members are senior representatives from each of the organisations that make up Partnership Southwark – Southwark Council, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust, Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust, Primary Care Networks (GPs, pharmacies and Dentists) and Community Southwark
- Each month the board looks at local health and care work, sets priorities for the work of the partnership, hears from a community and voluntary sector organisation in the Community Spotlight slot, and discusses plans for future meetings
- The board meets every month. The meeting is for 3 and a half hours in various locations in Southwark and also can be attended virtually
- To prepare for board meetings, members read papers sent to them the week before the meeting
- We will provide training and support in your role, based around your experience and areas that you would like to develop



How to apply

Application:

To apply, please answer the following three questions:

1. We are committed to working with our communities to co-produce solutions as we believe that those who access a service are best placed to design it. How would you help us to weave this principle into all our work?
2. In Southwark, we have over 1000 VSCE organisations, some of which are well established, while others are tiny and often unseen. What would be your approach to ensure that the wide and varied VCSE sector is well represented?
3. Our Partnership Southwark Strategic Board is made up of a wide variety of members, most of whom are employed by health and social care organisations, who bring a wide range of professional skills and knowledge. This role will bring a different set of experiences and expertise which will strengthen our collective capability. Please tell us what your unique contribution to the group would be? Please provide an example of the impact that you feel you would make, based on previous experience.

Timetable:

- ✓ Applications open w/c 24th October
- ✓ Expressions of interest by 17th November
- ✓ Conversations with candidates w/c 21st November
- ✓ Start date in December or January 2023

You can choose how you would like to submit your answers - we are happy to accept a written word document (1500 words maximum) or a video (10 mins maximum). Please email your response to annie.norton@selondonics.nhs.uk no later than 17th November.

Contact:

If you would like to have a chat before applying, we'd love to hear from you. You can get in touch with Annie Norton, either by emailing annie.norton@selondonics.nhs.uk or calling on 07880 370073.

Some background on Partnership Southwark



A little about us.. what is Partnership Southwark and what is its vision?

Our partnership brings together local health, care and voluntary organisations to:

- better join up services and support
- tackle the causes of inequality
- improve the health and wellbeing of Southwark residents.

OUR
VISION

...to enable every part of the health and care system in Southwark to make the borough an amazing place to be born, live a full healthy life, and spend one's final years.



Who is currently involved in Partnership Southwark?

Partnership Southwark includes the following organisations working closely with other partners across health, care, education and the voluntary and community sector; and with service users, carers and local communities.



Our four population based programmes:

Start Well	Live Well	Age Well	Care Well
<i>Children and Young People</i>	<i>Working Age Adults</i>	<i>Older People</i>	<i>People in Care and Residential settings</i>
Supporting children and young people – “keeping families strong”	Supporting working age adults with joined up services that tackle the causes of ill health and promote wellbeing	Neighbourhood-based networks to keep people as healthy and independent as possible in their home	Supporting those in care and residential settings (older people; and those with physical, mental health and learning disabilities)

Within each of these programmes we are seeking to:

- Improve population health outcomes and reduce inequalities
- Enhance people’s experience of care services
- Secure a financially sustainable health and care economy
- Support the wellbeing of our staff, carers and wider health and care workforce.