

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

What does the Board do?

The Board is responsible for setting the Society's policy and monitoring its performance.

Who is on the Board?

The Board currently has 13 members, of which two are residents, two are Councillors and the remainder independent members.

How is membership of the Board decided?

Board Members are elected by the Society's shareholders at its Annual General Meeting.

In general the Society looks to recruit:

- Members who have specific skills in areas such as law, finance, management, development etc
- At least three resident Members
- At least three Councillors from the local authority areas in which it operates
- Members that reflect the gender, age and ethnicity of the community it serves

What is the commitment?

Board meetings take place four times a year, generally at 3:00pm on a Wednesday. In addition, each member sits on one of the Society's committees. These each meet four times a year on a Tuesday afternoon. Papers are issued a week before the meetings, and members are expected to read these in preparation.

In addition, there is an annual conference, a coach tour round the Society's properties and various PR events such as scheme openings, to which members are invited.

Will I get paid?

The Society does not pay Board members at present, but will reimburse expenses such as travel, parking and childcare.

Will training be provided?

Yes – an induction programme will be arranged with each new Board member. This will be individually agreed to reflect their knowledge and

experience. This may include spending time with other staff and Board Members and formal or informal training sessions.

Other training events are organised throughout the year.

What happens next?

If you are interested in becoming a board member, please contact Mark Powell Davies on 01206 244700 or e-mail getinvolved@colnehousing.co.uk discuss this further.

If you are still interested in becoming a board member, we will ask you to fill in a brief application form. We will then invite applicants meet with our Chairman and other Board members for an interview.

