



## **Job Opportunity: Pride in Place Programme - Neighbourhood Board Chair**

**Location:** Raffles and Morton

**Commitment:** Part-time, flexible hours. Approximately 8 – 10 hours per month

**Salary:** This is an unpaid voluntary role. Reasonable expenses will be reimbursed.

**Term:** Fixed term until 2030 with review to extend to 2035

**Closing Date:** 24 April 2026

**Interviews:** Anticipated 7 May 2026

**Start Date:** To be discussed

### **Application Process:**

CV and supporting statement (maximum word count 1000) required.

### **About the Role**

We are seeking an Independent Chair to lead a newly established Neighbourhood Board overseeing the £20 million, 10-year Pride in Place investment in Raffles and Morton.

This is a unique opportunity to act as a champion for your community, ensuring that local decision-making is resident-led, inclusive, and representative.

As Chair, you will convene and recruit a diverse Board, bringing together residents, local businesses, community leaders, and public agencies. You will guide the Board in co-creating a Pride in Place Plan, a 10-year vision for change shaped by the voices of local people.

### **Key Responsibilities**

- Lead and chair the Neighbourhood Board, ensuring effective governance and collaboration.
- Recruit and convene a diverse membership, with majority representation from local residents.
- Organise meaningful community engagement activities (forums, workshops, listening campaigns).



- Champion inclusivity, ensuring underrepresented voices are heard in decision-making.
- Work with the local MP and local authority to approve Board membership and plans.
- Oversee the development of the Pride in Place Plan, setting out the community's long-term vision.

### **What We're Looking For**

- A respected leader with strong ties to the local area.
- Excellent communication and facilitation skills.
- Commitment to fairness, inclusivity, and resident-led decision-making.
- Ability to build consensus across diverse groups and interests.
- Experience in community organising, leadership, or governance (desirable but not essential).

### **Why Apply?**

- Play a pivotal role in shaping the future of your neighbourhood.
- Work alongside residents, businesses, and local institutions to deliver lasting change.
- Receive support and resources from the local MP and local authority.
- Be recognised as a visible champion for your community.

### **How to Apply**

If you are passionate about your community and ready to lead, we'd love to hear from you.

Please submit a CV and supporting statement outlining your connection to the area, relevant experience, and vision for inclusive community leadership to [communitydevelopment@cumberland.gov.uk](mailto:communitydevelopment@cumberland.gov.uk)

In your supporting statement, please make reference to the 'community specification' section of the chair role profile. For more information about the role or to arrange an informal chat prior to your application, please contact [julie.minns.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:julie.minns.mp@parliament.uk) or [communitydevelopment@cumberland.gov.uk](mailto:communitydevelopment@cumberland.gov.uk)