

City of London - Application for Appointment to City of London Community Advisory Committees

Application

Committee you are interested in serving on: **Integrated Transportation Community Advisory Committee**

Contact Information

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Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Advisory Committee, please provide dates and details. (max. 250 characters):

I currently serve on the London Safe Cities committee on the USC seat, starting in May 2023.

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters):

I hope to contribute the student perspective on transit and mobility in London. Western students are heavy users of public transit, and so their views on transit are well-rounded. I also hope to learn more about how people throughout the city use transit, in an effort to make it stronger for all residents. As the external spokesperson for 35,000 undergraduate students, I feel that this is an important perspective to bring to the table.

How will you support the work of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters):

I have a lot of committee work experience through both institutional and external committees as both VP External Affairs at Western USC as well as as VP Student Affairs at the Huron University College Students' Council, so I have a strong understanding of consensus building, cooperation, and advocacy, all of which are key in a committee setting. Additionally, the support of my full-time staff will allow me to effectively manage all of the files under my purview, allowing me to come to meetings prepared and with feedback or comment.

We value the contributions of Londoners with diverse experiences and welcome applications from individuals who share our commitment. Please describe how your work, community or lived experience will enhance these efforts through Community Advisory Committee work. (max. 3000 characters):

As mentioned previously, the student perspective is key in making decisions around transit in London as one of its largest user bases. Having their perspectives as a demographic often without cars and that are spread across London, helps to give a wide-range of perspectives. As the student body representative to all levels of government, I have a great breadth of knowledge of these issues, and am in constant contact with students. I also live in North London without access to a car, so the issue of transit is one that I experience on a daily basis. As a woman, I also understand the anxieties that women and femme-presenting people face while on the go, which is important to consider while making decisions on transit (.e lighting, late-night routes, etc.).

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Community Advisory Committee Member. (max. 250 characters):

Through my job as VP External Affairs, I have learned about transit and its issues at all levels of government. This would allow me to understand jurisdiction as a committee member, and approach issues with the right tool for the situation.

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

Attach more files here, if needed:

Confirmations

I declare the following: **I am at least 18 years old.; I am not a City employee or Council member.; I understand that the commitment may be up to 4 hours per month to attend meetings and prepare.; I understand that my application and any attachments will be included on a public agenda that is published on the City website.**

To help inform our outreach activities, please tell us how you heard about this opportunity:
(optional): **Word of mouth**

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

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