

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

Application

Committee you are interested in serving on: **Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Community Advisory Committee**

Contact Information

Name: **Leah Thomas-Gray**

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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 do not have experience specifically with a London Advisory Committee but I have been involved in many other committees through my work at the Argyle Business Improvement Association as well as working directly with the City on various projects.

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

What I hope to contribute is my experience in creating accessible and safe spaces. What I hope to learn is a better understanding of municipal process and what is involved in decision making of this type.

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

I'm a very practical person who is results driven with a commitment to well researched and supported solutions. I've held many administrative support roles and hope to use those skills to better my City.

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):

What I hope to contribute is my experience as a queer non-binary person with an invisible disability. I have a vested interest in the progression of diversity and anti-oppression initiatives in the city I live in. Through my job at the Argyle Business Improvement Association, I have gained a lot of very relevant experience: I have worked with the City of London on various projects, planned several events with multi-layered accessibility initiatives (with a focus on physical and mental disability) with attendance numbers of up to 15k, presented and lead a workshop on accessibility and event planning at the OBIAA conference, and had my work cited in a STEPS report on the same topic. I have been the designated minute taker for various groups so I'm well versed in documentation and meeting protocol as well as pride myself on being a great group discussion mediator and facilitator. I am very passionate about making London more accessible and a safe place for all people.

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

I've been involved with the LMLIP, Argyle Community Association, East Lions Community Center, East Lions, and East Optimists on a number of projects.

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):

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

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