# 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** 

If applying for the Accessibility Community Advisory Committee, please select: **No, I am not an applicant with a disability.** 

If applying for the Ecological Community Advisory Committee, a professional designation, education or experience in related fields is a requirement based on the technical nature of the committee work. Please indicate your area(s) of expertise:

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

#### **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 do not have any experience working on an Advisory Committee, though I have done work in the community to help marginalized folx. I have worked with organizations that aim to support people experiencing homelessness and people who use drugs, and have worked on political campaigns where my focus has been on supporting people who may otherwise find it difficult to garner a "seat at the table".

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters: My primary goal is to ensure that London continues to be a diverse and welcoming community for existing Londoners and new Londoners, alike. Working with council and the fellow members of DIACAC, I look forward to expanding my knowledge of the OHRC and determining how the City of London can continue to provide programs and pass legislation that not only includes, but supports marginalized communities.

How will you support the work of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters): Working collaboratively with colleagues on the advisory committee will be paramount. Ensuring that I understand that others' viewpoints into an issue may not align with my own and taking the time to engage in meaningful and productive debate/conversation with those on the committee. As an active member of the community, I am happy to work with the DIACAC and City Council in implementing our recommendations should they be accepted.

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Community Advisory Committee Member. (max. 250 characters): As a non-binary person, I may bring a unique and often-underrepresented viewpoint to a community advisory committee in general, but in particular one that focuses on diversity and inclusivity. In the past, I have been involved in a PiT Count ("Point in Time") which aimed to identify the number of homeless folx living locally and determining the best possible ways to support them; I have worked with the Cambridge Harm Reduction Alliance (CHRA) in supporting folx who used drugs do so safely; I am an active volunteer with Kids Help Phone and Crisis Text Line, so know first hand the mental health difficulties that can arise from being a member of a marginalized community.

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

Attach more files here, if needed:

## **Confirmations**

I declare the following: I am a resident of London.; 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): **Other** 

If you selected 'Other', please specify: Billboard

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