

As we move towards forming an academy we are looking for people who may wish to be on the Board of Directors.

You will be aware of the proposal to develop the St Margaret Clitherow Catholic Academy Trust and the work of the Project Steering Group comprising representatives of head teachers, senior leaders and governors from schools across the central region of the Diocese.

The Project Steering Group will continue with their work in steering the operational aspects of this work and the Diocese are now looking to appoint the Shadow Board of Directors to guide aspects of the work in developing the Trust including the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

The Shadow Board will be comprised of 12 people. There will be 7 Foundation Governors appointed by the Bishop who will be practising Roman Catholics, one Foundation Church of England Governor appointed by the Church of England Diocese, 3 non-foundation Governors and, once appointed, the Chief Executive Officer.

The Diocese are seeking of expressions of interest i) from practicing Roman Catholics for the Bishop to consider appointing as Foundation Governors and ii) expressions of interest from people who are not practicing Roman Catholics who may be appointed as non-foundation governors.

Whilst in the first instance the appointments will be to the Shadow Board it is anticipated that members of this group may be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Trust once the company has been formed. Bearing this in mind those expressing an interest in becoming a member of the Shadow Board should also be willing to serve on the full Board when formed. Those people appointed to the Board of Directors who are currently serving on a school governing body will not be able to continue in this role due to the potential for 'conflicts of interest'.

Those wishing to be considered as a member of the Shadow Board should complete the attached expression of interest form which includes a brief pen portrait (maximum of 100 words) outlining their relevant experience as well as any past or current Director/Trustee positions and current employment if applicable. Also if you are employed by a Local Authority, Police Authority, Fire Authority or are a local authority councillor (parish, county etc) we need to know this information as there are limits to the percentage of Board Members that we can include on the Board with such a status. Expressions of interest should be emailed to paul.makin@avec-partnership.com who will then liaise with Kevin Duffy in the Diocese. The Diocese are aiming to appoint to the Shadow Board by the end of July and expressions of interest should be received by the 6th July 2018.

With thanks and best wishes

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(on behalf of the St Margaret Clitherow Catholic Academy Trust Project Steering Group)

