



MILTON KEYNES DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

Appointment of Independent Board Members

£20,000

Milton Keynes Development Partnership LLP (MKDP) is an independent legal entity wholly owned by Milton Keynes Council (MKC) to facilitate the growth and economic success of MK by promoting some 250 acres of development land assets acquired in 2013.

MKDP's primary purpose is to support Milton Keynes' growth and the implementation of the vision for Milton Keynes' future that is set out in the Council's approved plans. MKDP's performance to date and increasing confidence in meeting its financial obligations provides an opportunity to evolve beyond its start-up phase and expand its commercial activity to include the investment, acquisition and development of property investments that will generate long dated revenue streams.

Alongside its commercial ambitions MKDP is to assist MKC address a number of key issues including; affordable housing supply, homelessness, placemaking, Renaissance CMK, and the reinvigoration of the National Bowl Arena which is a significant cultural and leisure asset.

MKDP is a thriving commercial entity generating significant annual revenue and capital reserves to repay the original £32m land acquisition costs and provide MKC with a regular annual income. MKDP has a growing pipeline of significant residential, commercial and leisure projects

The control and management of the organisation is vested in the Board of Directors, comprising nine members: three elected Councillors and an independent Chair nominated by Milton Keynes Council (MKC), the Chief Exec of MKC (or nominee) and four independent Members.



The terms of office for the independent members either have ended or are on the verge of doing so and following a review of progress achieved since MKDP's foundation, the Council has recommended that it should be given more powers to act independently. As a consequence MKDP wishes to appoint four independent Board Members, to replace the outgoing members, one of whom would assume the role of Vice Chair. MKDP is seeking experienced, commercially astute individuals, whose expertise and insight will help the Board shape its future investment strategy and fully exploit the commercial opportunities available through its legacy real estate assets.

Whilst not essential, it would be helpful if potential Board Members had some knowledge or connection with Milton Keynes and an understanding of the importance of MKDP's role in supporting the Council Plan for 2016 - 2020.

MKDP is seeking individuals with exposure to the property sector generally and actual involvement in at least one or two of the following areas :-

- Placemaking
- Planning
- Urban Design
- Architecture
- Social Enterprises
- Property Finance
- Property Asset Management
- Fund Management
- Commercial Property Development
- Residential property development
- Housing Associations/Registered Providers
- Economic Development
- Inward investment promotion
- Public policy, regulation and governance

It is essential that Independent Board Members possess complementary experience and skills to ensure a balanced Board.

Experience of working in both public and private sectors would be of particular advantage.



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If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please download the job specification plus attachments from the MKDP web-site, which can be found [here](#).

For an informal discussion about the role, please contact Gill Carrick at Taylor MacKenzie Group on 07770 631224 or via email at: gill@taylormackenziegroup.com

To apply, please send a covering letter explaining relevance to the role and a copy of your CV to gill@taylormackenziegroup.com by the closing date Monday 20 November, 2017. In addition please provide contact details, including names and e-mail addresses of two referees.

Meeting with the retained agency, Taylor Mackenzie - December 1 to early January.

Panel Interviews: 16, 17, 18 January.

MKDP is committed to providing equal opportunities for all, irrespective of age, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, religion, sexuality and transgender status.