



CHAIR WORLD ARTISTIC GYMNASTIC CHAMPIONSHIPS LIVERPOOL 2022

RECRUITMENT PACK

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**INDEPENDENT BOARD CHAIR FOR THE WORLD ARTISTIC GYMNASTIC
CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022, LIVERPOOL**

In 2022 Liverpool will host the World Artistic Gymnastic Championships welcoming the top 600 world class gymnasts from 90 countries around the world to compete in 8 days of competition at the M&S Bank Arena on the banks of the River Mersey.

From its inception the city of Liverpool and British Gymnastics set out to deliver the most innovative World Championships with the needs of both gymnasts and spectators at its core. The event will continue to enhance the UK's reputation as major event hosts and will ensure a lasting legacy for all. The Championships will welcome the world to experience the unique passion, culture and heritage of Liverpool and will continue to raise the bar in event delivery.

To support delivery of a successful World Championships, Liverpool City Council (LCC) and British Gymnastics (BG) have created an Event Delivery Board to provide oversight and direction to the development, planning and staging of the Championships in 2022. The Board is made up of representatives of LCC, BG and UK Sport alongside independent board members with expertise in Elite Sports & Athlete Experience, Business, Commercial and Grant Funding, Marketing, Media and PR, Visitor Economy and Spectator/Event Experience.

We now require an Independent Chair who shares the passion and ambition for this event who can lead this Board.

The posts are not remunerated. Reasonable expenses will be paid.

Please send your CV and covering letter to the Strategic Lead for Major Sports Events on jen.falding@liverpool.gov.uk no later than Friday 6th March 2020.



THE TIMETABLE

The provisional timetable for both roles is as follows:

6th March – Closing date for applications
w/c 16th March – Interviews
w/c 13th March – Notification of successful candidate
29th March – Appointee starts, induction period
Early May - First board meeting (proposed date)

RECRUITMENT PROCESS

In line with best practice Liverpool City Council is recruiting the role via an open and transparent process.

To apply for either role, please provide the following

- A copy of your CV
- A cover letter (not exceeding 2 pages) explaining why you are interested in the role and how you meet the key skills and experience required.

For more information on the role please contact Jen Falding via jen.falding@liverpool.gov.uk

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The following circumstances would make prospective candidates ineligible for the role/s.

- Anyone who has an unspent conviction
- Anyone who has been removed from trusteeship of a charity or university for misconduct or mismanagement
- Anyone under a disqualification order under the Company's Directors Disqualification Act
- Anyone who has entered into a composition or arrangement with their creditors which includes an IVA and is currently on the insolvency register



ABOUT LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL (LCC)

LCC is the governing body for the City of Liverpool. It is the 10th largest local authority by population nationally, serving nearly 490,000 citizens. It is led by Mayor Joe Anderson.

The mayor is elected by the residents of Liverpool for a four-year period and is responsible for the council's executive functions and the day-to-day running of the organisation. These include leading the city, building investor confidence and directing new resources to economic priorities.

Liverpool City Council delivers a programme of exciting major sporting events, these include; Netball World Cup 2019, World Artistic Gymnastic Championships 2022, the Rugby League World Cup 2022 as well as the Special Olympics GB Summer Championships in 2021.

Liverpool is one of the gymnastics strongholds in the UK and has a longstanding relationship with British Gymnastics, staging British Championships at the prestigious city venue, M and S Bank Arena since 2011.

ABOUT BRITISH GYMNASTICS

British Gymnastics is the UK Governing Body for the sport of gymnastics. They exist to support, lead and inspire all those involved or interested in gymnastics.

British Gymnastics provides a national directive and structure for the sport; delivering a range of opportunities across the age spectrum to take part and stay in gymnastics, as well as developing talent and delivering top-level success.

Its strategic aims are to meet the following vision and core purpose:

- Gymnastics is a passion shared by millions.
- To create and inspire lasting success for gymnastics.

British Gymnastics disciplines include, Acrobatic Gymnastics, Aerobic Gymnastics, Disability Gymnastics, Men's Artistic Gymnastics, Rhythmic Gymnastics, TeamGym, Trampoline, Double Mini Tramp, Tumbling, and Women's Artistic Gymnastics. Gymnastics for All (GFA) encompasses a wide range of activities, competitions and Festivals including Freestyle Gymnastics and Cheerleading.

Further information on the work of British Gymnastics can be found at www.british-gymnastics.org.

ABOUT THE WORLD ARTISTIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

The World Artistic Gymnastic Championships are the World Championships for artistic gymnastics governed by the Federation Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG).

Taking place annually, the 2022 World Artistic Gymnastic Championships will be the 51st edition. It will be delivered in partnership between British Gymnastics and Liverpool City Council with financial support from The National Lottery through UK Sport.



Athletes will compete in eight days of elite competition at M and S Bank Arena, Liverpool.

ABOUT THE EVENT BOARD

Liverpool City Council will have responsibility for delivering the World Championships in 2022. The Event Delivery Board will serve as the Local Organising Committee (LOC) for the World Championships. It will provide oversight and direction to the development, planning and staging of the World Championships in 2022. This oversight encompasses all aspects of the event requirement, including;

- The Organisation of all aspects of the event delivery
- Governance & Event Objectives
- Marketing and communications
- Commercialisation
- Sports Development
- Athlete Experience
- Cultural Programme
- Legacy outcomes
- Budget



CHAIR of EVENT DELIVERY BOARD ROLE DESCRIPTION

Title	Chair of the World Artist Gymnastic Championships 2022 Event Board
Time Commitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to 4 pre board meetings with senior staff of Liverpool City Council and British Gymnastics to set meeting agendas • Attend up to 4 board meetings a year, plus reading of the associated board papers • Press and media interviews as requested in the run up to the Championships in 2022 • Attendance at some PR activity in the run up to 2022 • Attendance at the opening event in 2022 • Attendance at some activity during the Championships in 2022 • Travel to London to undertake advocacy duties (as mutually agreed)
Remuneration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All expenses will be covered
Length of Term	The term of office will begin in November 2019 and shall last until after delivery of the championships. This date is likely to be December 2022
Overview of the role	The board is responsible for the oversight and planning of the Championships as executed by Liverpool City Council in partnership with British Gymnastics
Main responsibilities of the Chair	<p>Provide independent leadership to ensure that the strategic and delivery objectives of the Championships are met</p> <p>Work closely with the Liverpool City Council Officers and British Gymnastics personnel to ensure that meetings are well planned, meaningful and reflect the responsibilities of board members</p> <p>Manage and coordinate attendance from Liverpool City Council officers and external stakeholders as appropriate</p> <p>Foster, maintain and ensure that constructive relationships exist with and between the group members</p> <p>Chair and facilitate meeting bringing impartiality and objectivity to the decision making process</p> <p>Ensure meetings are conducted in an orderly and efficient manner and ensuring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A balance is struck between time-keeping and space for discussions. • Business is dealt with and decisions made.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decisions are taken in the best long term interests of the championships • Decisions, actions and deliberations are adequately minuted • Decisions are implemented <p>Represent the championships at appropriate events, meetings or functions</p> <p>Act as an advocate for the championships where appropriate</p> <p>Represent the board on other committees and working groups when appropriate</p>
<p>General Responsibilities of a board member</p>	<p>The Chair will also fulfil the general duties of a board member (outlined overleaf)</p>
<p>Key Skills and Experience Required</p>	<p>Ability to devote the time and effort to the requirements of the role</p> <p>Significant track record in management/leadership within business, social or sports sectors</p> <p>Ability to identify and respond to external factors that may impact on event delivery</p> <p>Good working knowledge and understanding of major sporting events and elite sports</p> <p>Experience and achievement in developing partnerships in support of large scale sporting activity</p> <p>Up to date knowledge of national policy in relation to sports and physical activity</p> <p>Successful track record of achievement through their career</p> <p>Experience of charity governance and working as a chair of a board of trustees</p> <p>Experience of external representation, delivering presentations, managing stakeholders and advocacy</p> <p>Significant experience of chairing meetings and events</p> <p>Good communication skills - tact and diplomacy</p>



	<p>Objective judgement and a willingness to speak one's mind and listen to the views of others</p> <p>Experience in overseeing large budgets</p> <p>Understanding and experience of risk management in relation to business delivery</p> <p>Integrity</p> <p>Solid organisational skills</p>
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