



DRUMCHAPEL HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE IS LOOKING FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS!

BENEFITS OF BEING ON A BOARD

- You have a real say on what is happening in your area.
- You will be involved in all the main decisions affecting your area.
- You will receive training and learn new skills.
- Look at the testimonials from current Board Members on Pg 2/3 to get an idea of what is involved.

THE NEED FOR A BOARD

- Key decisions are needed from Board Members.
- It is vital that there are enough local people on our Board making a difference to how we run.

WHAT ARE BOARD MEMBERS EXPECTED TO DO?

- Attend Board Meetings (there are nine in a year)
- Discuss important issues which affect the Co-op with fellow Board members, and make decisions
- Expected to be committed and act with honesty
- Expected to act with honesty and integrity at all times
- Make the best use of tenants' money and be truly committed to the Co-op and area in which we operate

Board Members Testimonials



Joan McFarlane
Chairperson

"By joining the Board you get to make the decisions about how the Co-operative works for you and all the tenants, and together make it a great area to live in".



Paul McBride
Vice-Chairperson

"I am on the board as it gives me an opportunity to be proactive and support our local housing Association, this is a chance for me to be involved in the key decisions and offer my advice on things I can help with. Anyone joining the board would not only help with the key decisions being made within our organisation but also would be actively involved in making our small community a better place to live in."



Margaret Bowie
Board Member

"When I left my previous Housing Association, I found the Co-operative worked very differently, in a positive sense. My previous HA was accountable to Glasgow City Council, which meant the repairs service and such-like was much slower. It was a whole new learning curve at the Co-operative where the tenants, the Board and the staff are all more involved, pulling together to decide what actions had to be made. I found it very enlightening. I was also Chairperson up until I retired and found it was a terrific way to learnt more about how everybody's role operates in the organisation".

Board Members Testimonials



Helen Eakin Board Member

"For starters, being on the Board of the Housing lets me know what is going on in my area as well as what is happening in the community as well. The good thing about being on the board is you are there when things are being discussed about what is needing done with our houses, and you get to have a say because we are the ones who live here. It only makes sense that we have an input.

You do receive training, but don't let that put you off! It is not like being back at school! It can be fun and very interesting. We also have away days with staff and that is when you get to see a different side to the staff. It is about team-work and discussing any issues that you may need working on, plus it's also fun.

It is amazing the things you learn about the law and legal stuff, which is quite interesting. It is not all about meetings. You also get to go to conferences and meet people from other housing co-operatives and associations, and it is good to learn what others do that you might think would be of interest to us. Plus if you are ever going to look for work or are already working, it looks good on your C.V that you are a volunteer.

It is one of the best things I have ever done and I have been doing this for many, many years. You help to make decisions and see how it all comes about; you see first-hand the difference that we have made over the years to the area and people's lives; and you feel good that you had a hand in making it happen.

So, if you have a few hours to spare once a month, it would be great if you would consider joining us to keep this Co-operative running. Remember, it is your housing co-op. I have lived in this co-op for 49 years and I love it".

Dates of Meetings

Management Board Meetings (all 6.00pm start)

Tuesday 16 April 2019
Tuesday 28 May 2019
Tuesday 25 June 2019
Tuesday 6 August 2019
Tuesday 10 September 2019
Tuesday 22 October 2019
Tuesday 3 December 2019
Tuesday 28 January 2020
Tuesday 3 March 2020

JOINING THE BOARD

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR MANAGEMENT BOARD, PLEASE FILL OUT THE DETAILS BELOW AND WE WILL POST YOU OUT A BOARD APPLICATION FORM. ALTERNATIVELY, ASK TO SPEAK WITH STEPHEN WATT OUR CORPORATE SERVICES ASSISTANT OR ANY OTHER MEMBER OF STAFF WHO CAN ADVISE YOU.

NAME:

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ALTERNATIVELY, YOU CAN DOWNLOAD THE APPLICATION FORM BY FOLLOWING THE LINK BELOW AND RETURNING TO US AT 4 KINCLAVEN AVENUE, DRUMCHAPEL G15 7SP

<https://www.drumchapelhc.org.uk/joining-the-board/>

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO COME ALONG AND SIMPLY OBSERVE A BOARD MEETING TO GET AN IDEA OF WHAT IS INVOLVED, THEN THIS TOO CAN BE ARRANGED BY CONTACTING OUR OFFICE ON 0141 944 4902.

SHARE MEMBERSHIP

ANY MEMBERS AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS OF DRUMCHAPEL HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE ARE ELIGIBLE TO BECOME TENANTS. ONLY THOSE PERSONS ALLOCATED A DWELLING SHALL REQUIRE TO BECOME MEMBERS BY THE PURCHASE OF A MEMBERSHIP SHARE TO THE VALUE OF ONE POUND STERLING.

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS MAY BECOME PROSPECTIVE TENANTS AND APPROVAL OF THEIR MEMBERSHIP MUST BE GIVEN BY THE MANAGEMENT BOARD AT A FULL MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING PRIOR TO THE GRANTING OF A TENANCY.

ANY PROSPECTIVE TENANT WHO HAS BEEN GRANTED TENANCY CAN APPLY TO BECOME A FULL BOARD MEMBER. ANYONE CAN JOIN AT ANY TIME PROVIDING THAT THERE IS SPACE AVAILABLE ON THE BOARD.