

**Mayor’s Business Advisory Panel
Expression of Interest Form**

The Mayor will invite an initial group of 10-15 people to give their views and advice onany issue affecting business in Greater Manchester (GM). Applicants must work in a commercial or not-for-profit organisation within the boundaries of GM. Membership will be on an individual and personal basis, that is, not in a representative capacity for any company or other organisation. Membership cannot be substituted. Applicants should be able to agree to an initial membership period of at least 12 months. All members will be selected by the Mayor.

The Mayor is looking for individuals who:

* have the capacity to give insight into issues affecting businesses in Greater Manchester, drawing on their own personal experience, but also looking beyond it to what actions and policies will make GM the best place to work, live and invest
* are able to work constructively with others to support the Mayor’s ambitions through free and frank exchange of views
* inspire the confidence of the business community and the general public, and whose public statements and actions should be compatible with the values of the Office of the GM Mayor

Collectively, the Mayor will be looking to establish a Panel that represents a good mix of personalities, sectors, types of business and backgrounds as well as being diverse in terms of gender, age, ethnicity and disability.

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| Name of applicant |  |
| Job Title  |  |
| Company name and address |  |
| Nature of business (sector and nature of product or service) |  |
| Company size (number of employees and approximate turnover) |  |
| Please identify any potential conflicts of interest[[1]](#footnote-1) |
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| Please list any contracts that you or your organisation currently hold with the following:Greater Manchester Combined Authority; Greater Manchester Police; Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service; Greater Manchester NHS; Transport for Greater Manchester. |
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| Statement: Please set out in approximately 500 words your reasons for wanting to join the Business Advisory Panel, and why you are best placed to advise the Mayor on issues affecting business in Greater Manchester. Please relate your statement to the desirable attributes described above. |
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**Please forward your completed expression of interest to****bizpanel@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk** **by 5pm on 24 November.**

**MAYOR’S BUSINESS ADVISORY PANEL:**

**MONITORING EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY**

**This information is used for monitoring purposes only. It will not form part of the selection process and will be detached from your application prior to short-listing.**

**GENDER**

Which of the following options best describes how you think of yourself?

Male Female I prefer to self-describe Prefer not to state

**Title**

Mr Mrs Miss M Ms Mx

Other please state Prefer not to state

**Sexual Orientation**

Bi Gay Man Gay Woman/Lesbian

Heterosexual/Straight Prefer to self-describe Prefer not to say

**Age**

Age Prefer not to say

**Disability**

Do you have a disability as recognised by the Disability Discrimination Act DDA?

Yes No Prefer not to state

If yes, we would be grateful for any information you wish to provide to enable appropriate reasonable adjustments to be considered if required.

**Ethnicity**

Asian – Asian British

Indian

Pakistani

Bangladeshi

Chinese

Any other Asian Background please state

Black/African/Caribbean/Black British

Caribbean

African

Any other Black Background please state

Other Ethnic Groups

Arab

Any other ethnic group please state

White

British

Irish

Gypsy or Irish Traveller

Any other White background please state

Dual Heritage/Mixed/Multiple Ethnic Group

White and Black Caribbean

White and Black African

White and Asian

Other dual heritage background please state

Prefer not to state

**Nationality**

Nationality Prefer not to state

**Data Protection Act**

Information on this form may be held manually or on a computer system. We will observe strict confidentiality and disclosure will only be made for administration and statistical purposes.

**By submitting this application you confirm your consent to this information being stored and used for these purposes only.**

1. A potential conflict of interest does not necessarily preclude an applicant from being selected, but will need to be declared in the interests of public transparency. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)