



## Are you the director we are looking for?

River Nene Regional Park CIC is searching for new Board Members

**Deadline for applications 18 December 2018**

Interviews for prospective members will take place on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Kettering

[www.riverneneregionalpark.org](http://www.riverneneregionalpark.org)

The River Nene Regional Park is an independent Community Interest Company that works to improve the quality and accessibility of green spaces in Northamptonshire with a particular focus on the River Nene and its tributaries. Since our inception in 2004 we have, with partners, created a green infrastructure network of environmental projects extending from Daventry to Peterborough linking the towns of Northampton, Towcester, Wellingborough, Kettering and Corby.

Our Board of Directors ensures the effective running of the organisation and is supported by a Chief Executive and a small staff team.

We would like to hear from people interested in joining our Board. This is a voluntary post, although travel expenses can be reimbursed, and applicants will need to commit 1-2 days per quarter to attend Board Meetings plus occasional ambassadorial events.

The duties of a Company Director are to:

- Determine strategy and provide strategic leadership.
- Ensure the Company applies its resources exclusively in pursuance of its objectives.
- Safeguard the Company good name and values.
- Ensure effective and efficient administration of the Company.
- Ensure that River Nene Regional Park complies with its Articles of Association, company law and any other relevant legislation or regulations.
- Use any specific knowledge or experience they have to help the Board reach sound decisions. This may involve scrutinizing Board papers, leading discussions, providing advice and guidance on new initiatives, or other issues relevant.

What are we looking for? Board Members should:

- Share our values about the natural environment and passion for its careful management.
- Understand how a small Company works and be familiar with dynamic, changing environments.
- Be able to challenge and also work as part of a team.
- Have good communication and networking skills.
- Be able to identify appropriate creative solutions to complex issues.
- Have the ability to remain impartial and respect confidences.
- Understand and accept the legal responsibilities of a Director and be familiar with governance issues (or have a willingness to learn).

We are particularly looking for candidates with knowledge of or experience in:

- Ecological / Environmental Science
- Agriculture and Farming
- Tourism and Recreation
- Development and Planning
- Marketing

We are an equal opportunity employer and applications are welcomed from all sections of the community, but we also wish to increase the diversity and skills mix of our Board. Therefore, we would particularly embrace applications from young people and women, as this is an area in which we are currently under-represented.

If you have the skills and experience we are looking for please contact Kathryn Hardcastle [kathryn@nrp.org](mailto:kathryn@nrp.org) with any questions or for an application form or call 01536 526451.