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Could you be the next dynamic and inspirational business leader to help deliver on the Marches' growth ambitions?

Do you have the combination of strong business acumen and political astuteness which can champion our region at the highest level?

The Marches Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) is seeking to appoint a new Chair.

You will play a key role in helping us to work with local authorities, businesses, the HE/FE sectors and voluntary sector to drive economic growth in the area and contribute actively to the Board's effective governance and oversight of new initiatives.

The LEP is seeking expressions of interest from business leaders and board level directors who will be inspirational and have the credibility to champion the Marches at a regional and national level.

Due to under-representation on the current board, we would particularly welcome expressions of interest from business leaders/board level directors and business people in under-represented groups such as BAME, LGBTQ+ and people with disabilities.

Interested business leaders should have knowledge or expertise in the region's industry, ideally this will include key areas such as:

- Advanced manufacturing & engineering, including food and drink manufacturing & processing
- Renewable energy /environmental technology
- Cyber security & resilience
- Health and social care
- Construction /housing
- Retail /logistics
- Tourism

The LEP Board meets six times a year, usually in Ludlow and the membership will be for a minimum of 3 years. The role is voluntary, but reasonable travel expenses will be paid where required.

The Marches LEP encourages diversity to maximise achievements, good practice, innovation and impact and we welcome applications from everyone. We therefore reflect a positive action approach, under the Equality Act 2010. Appointment will be on merit alone.

**Expressions of interest should be emailed along with a CV to the LEP Chief Executive, Rachel Laver at [rachel.Laver@marcheslep.org.uk](mailto:rachel.Laver@marcheslep.org.uk) by 12.00 noon on Friday 9th September 2022.** If you would like to find out more about the role, please call Rachel on 07990 086392.