



Community Involvement Panel Member Role Description

You might be thinking, what's a Community Involvement Panel Member? It's someone with ideas and a desire to make positive change in your community.

Title and nature of the role	Community Involvement Panel Member This is not a contract of employment, nor does it create a worker or volunteer relationship. Panel members participate as Experts by Experience, contributing their knowledge, perspectives and lived experience to support the Renewal Programme's commitment to co-production.
Minimum Time Commitment	The Panel will normally meet four times each year. Members are appointed for a 12-month term and are asked to make every reasonable effort to attend scheduled meetings. Meetings will be planned in advance and we will aim to make them welcoming, informal and accessible. There may also be an annual planning session and optional opportunities to take part in other RenewALL activities, consultations or working groups. We understand that Panel members may have work, family, caring or other commitments and will try to make participation as accessible as possible.
Location	Community Hub, The Renewal Programme, 395 High St. N. E12 6PG.
Payment	Panel members will receive an Involvement Payment of £25 for each Community Involvement Panel meeting attended, in recognition of their time and contribution. Reasonable travel expenses will also be covered (travel receipts needed)

About us

The Renewal Programme is a well-established and respected local charity based in the London Borough of Newham. We support those who are facing multiple challenges - they might be a carer, migrant or refugee without access to public funds, suffering with homelessness, experiencing poverty, or unable to communicate in English. We empower people to reach their full potential through offering advocacy, education, temporary accommodation and a wide range of positive activities. We support over 3000 people a year and have been working with Newham communities for over 50 years.

Our vision

Vibrant and integrated Newham communities where everyone has access to suitable jobs, homes, health and education.

Our mission

To stand alongside those who struggle by inspiring hope and offering opportunities for connection, growth and progress.

Our values

DIGNITY - Treating everyone with kindness and respect.

INCLUSION - A community where everyone belongs.

COLLABORATION - Working together to achieve more.

EMPOWERMENT - Co-creating opportunities for positive change.

What is the Community Involvement Panel ?

The **Community Involvement Panel** brings together people from our local community to help shape the future of the RenewALL Community Hub.

We believe that the people who use our services and live in our community should have a meaningful say in the decisions that affect them.

The Panel provides a space for community members to share their experiences, ideas and views and to contribute to designing, improving and evaluating our services and activities.

This is about more than asking for feedback. We want Panel members to help us shape decisions, influence our direction of travel, and ensure that the voices and experiences of our community are at the heart of RenewALL Hub.

The Role

As a Community Involvement Panel Member, you will use your experiences, knowledge and ideas to help us understand what our community needs and how the RenewALL Hub can respond.

You will help us look at what is working well, what could be improved and what opportunities we should develop in the future.

You do **not** need previous experience of being on a committee or advisory panel.

We are particularly interested in hearing from people who have experience of using The Renewal Programme's services, facing the issues that our services respond to, volunteering with us, participating in community activities, or living within the communities we serve.

What will I do?

As a Panel Member, you will:

- Attend and actively participate in Community Involvement Panel meetings.
- Share your views, experiences and ideas in a respectful and constructive way.
- Help identify the issues and priorities that matter to people in our community.
- Give feedback on existing RenewALL services, activities and projects.
- Help us think about new activities, services and opportunities.
- Contribute to the design and development of community projects.
- Review feedback from people using the Hub and help us decide how we should respond.
- Help us understand whether our activities are making a positive difference.
- Help make sure our services are welcoming, inclusive and accessible to different communities.
- Represent community perspectives while recognising that people may have different experiences and views.
- Work alongside other Panel members, Renewal Programme staff and, where appropriate, Trustees and partners.

	There may also be opportunities to become involved in community events, consultations, workshops, recruitment panels, project development or other areas of RenewALL that interest you.
Skills & Experience	You don't need formal qualifications or professional experience. We are looking for people who: • Care about their local community. • Are willing to share their views and experiences. • Are interested in making services better for other people. • Are willing to listen to different perspectives. • Can work respectfully with people from different backgrounds and experiences. • Are comfortable asking questions and challenging ideas constructively. • Can respect other people's privacy and confidentiality. • Are willing to attend meetings regularly and let us know if they cannot attend. • Believe in dignity, inclusion, collaboration and empowerment. Most importantly, we want people who bring lived experience, community knowledge and different perspectives.
Benefits, Training and Support	You will not be expected to know how everything works when you join. All Panel members will receive an induction explaining: • The Renewal Programme and RenewALL Community Hub. • The purpose of the Panel. • How meetings and advisory processes work. • Co-production and community involvement. • Confidentiality and safeguarding. • How your feedback and recommendations will be used. • Renewal Programme staff will be available to support you throughout your time on the Panel.

	• We will also try to identify and remove practical barriers that could prevent people from taking part.
Who can apply?	We welcome expressions of interest from people who have a connection with The Renewal Programme or the communities we work with. This might include: • People who currently use or have previously used Renewal Programme services. • RenewALL Hub participants. • Volunteers. • Local residents. • People involved with local community groups. • People with lived experience of the issues our communities face. • People who want to become more involved in improving their community. We want the Panel to reflect the diversity of our community and particularly welcome interest from people whose voices may not always be heard in traditional meetings or decision-making spaces.
How to apply?	Please email shashi.ioannides@renewalprogramme.org.uk Simply tell us a little about yourself, your connection to the community or The Renewal Programme, and why you would like to be involved. If your profile is suitable, we will arrange an informal interview. This could be online or in person. If successful, we will send you a Community Involvement Panel Participation Agreement for you to sign and an induction pack
Report to:	Transformation Hub Manager