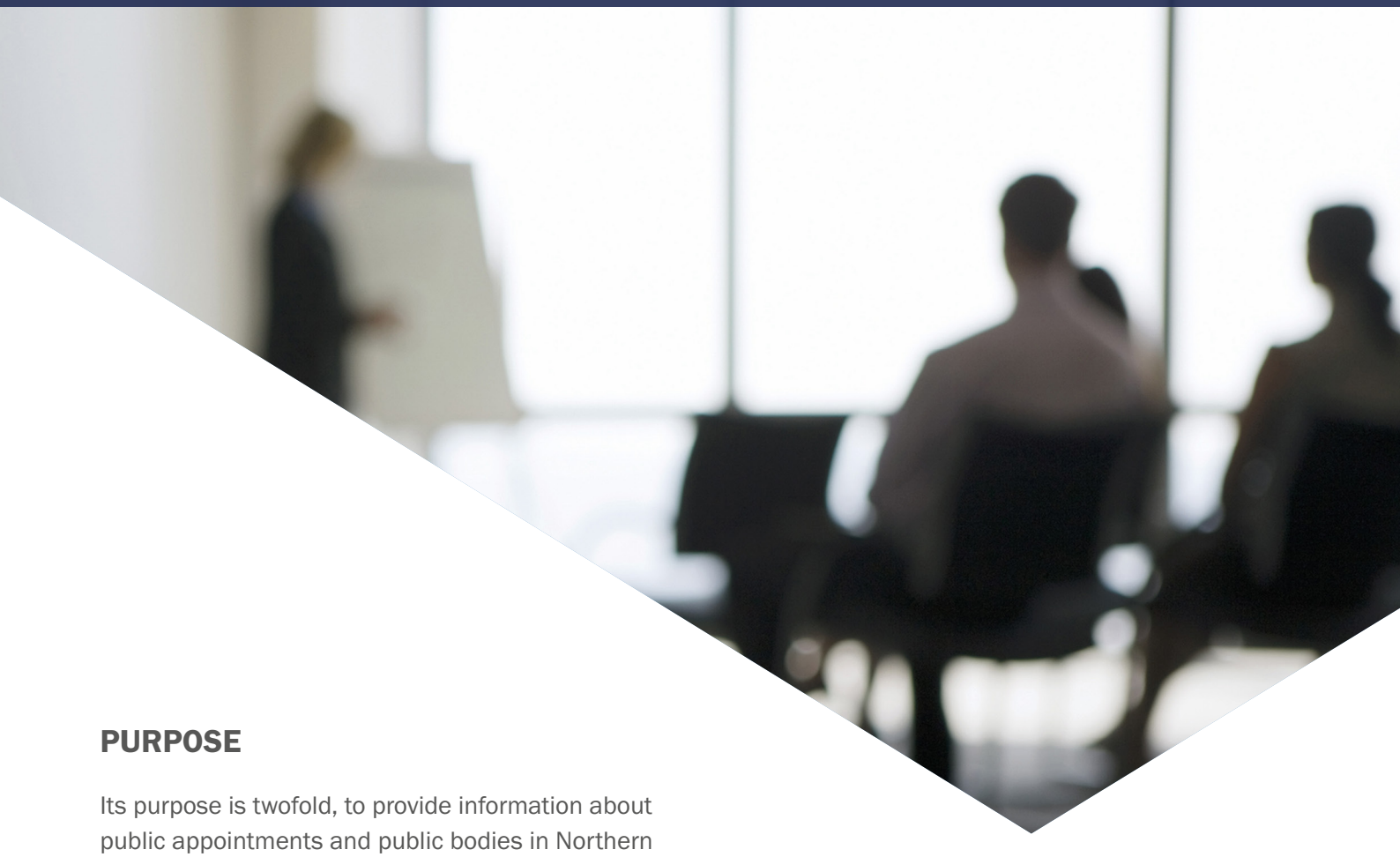
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WELCOME

'All Aboard' is the news-sheet of the Central Appointments Unit (CAU) in The Executive Office.



PURPOSE

Its purpose is twofold, to provide information about public appointments and public bodies in Northern Ireland and publicise our six monthly **forthcoming** public appointments vacancy list for public appointments arising from **1 January 2027 to 30 June 2027**.

The Executive Office
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Name of Body	Position		Departmental Contact
Childrens' Court Guardian Agency Northern Ireland			
childrenscourtguardianagencyni.co.uk	1 x Member	£	Competition launch is anticipated between October-December 2026. Public.appointments@health-ni.gov.uk
Community Relations Council			
community-relations.org.uk/	1 x Chair	£	Competition launch date to be confirmed.
	8 x Members	£	Competition launch date to be confirmed. Neil Lynas **028 9052 0048** Neil.Lynas@executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk
Consumer Council NI			
consumercouncil.org.uk	1 x Chair	£	Competition launch is anticipated October 2026. Damien Smith **028 9025 7918** Damien.Smith@economy-ni.gov.uk
Food Standards Agency – Northern Ireland Food Advisory Committee			
Our governance - Food Standards Agency - GOV.UK	5 x Members	£	Competition launch is anticipated October 2026. Jamie Young **07734 405607** Jamie.Young@food.gov.uk
Further Education Colleges			
Northern Regional College nrc.ac.uk/	1 x Chair	£	The closing date for applications is 12.00 noon on 8 October 2026.
South Eastern Regional College serc.ac.uk/	1 x Chair	£	Damien Smith **028 9025 7918** Damien.Smith@economy-ni.gov.uk
Southern Regional College src.ac.uk/	1 x Chair	£	
South West College swc.ac.uk/	1 x Chair	£	
North West Regional College nwrc.ac.uk/	3 x Members	£	Competition launch is anticipated early 2027. Damien Smith **028 9025 7918** Damien.Smith@economy-ni.gov.uk
South West College swc.ac.uk/	2 x Members	£	
Belfast Metropolitan College belfastmet.ac.uk/	1 x Member	£	Competition launch is anticipated early 2027. Damien Smith **028 9025 7918** Damien.Smith@economy-ni.gov.uk
Southern Regional College src.ac.uk/	3 x Members	£	

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Industrial Court			
industrialcourt.org.uk	5 x Members	£	Competition launch is anticipated January 2027. Damien Smith **028 9025 7918** Damien.Smith@economy-ni.gov.uk Iain Bruce **028 9052 9348** Iain.Bruce@economy-ni.gov.uk
Labour Relations Agency			
lra.org.uk/	1 x Chair 5 x Members	£ £	Competition launch is anticipated October 2026. Damien Smith **028 9025 7918** Damien.Smith@economy-ni.gov.uk Iain Bruce **028 9052 9348** Iain.Bruce@economy-ni.gov.uk
Libraries NI			
librariesni.org.uk	3 x Members	£	Competition launch is anticipated early 2027. Ruth McNeill **028 9081 9417** publicappointments@communities-ni.gov.uk
Middletown Centre for Autism			
middletownautism.com/	1 x Vice Chair 3 x Members		Competition launch is anticipated November 2026. Lynne Hackworth **07783 828893** Lynne.Hackworth@education-ni.gov.uk
Ministerial Advisory Group for Architecture and the Built Environment for NI			
communities-ni.gov.uk/topics/ministerial-advisory-group-architecture-and-built-environment	1 x Chair 1 x Member	£ £	Competition launch is anticipated Summer 2027. Ruth McNeill **028 9081 9417** publicappointments@communities-ni.gov.uk

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National Museums NI			
nmni.com	Members (Multiple)		The closing date for applications is 12.00 noon on 12 October 2026. Ruth McNeill **028 9081 9417** publicappointments@communities-ni.gov.uk
Northern Health & Social Care Trust			
northerntrust.hscni.net/	2 x Non Executive Directors	£	Competition launch is anticipated October 2026. Public.appointments@health-ni.gov.uk
Northern Ireland Building Regulations Advisory Committee			
Northern Ireland Building Regulations Advisory Committee | Department of Finance (finance-ni.gov.uk)	10 x Members		Competition launch date to be confirmed. Anna McNulty **028 9052 7027** Anna.McNulty@finance-ni.gov.uk
Northern Ireland Climate Commissioner			
No website available – new body to be established	Commissioner	£	Competition launch is anticipated Autumn/Winter 2026. Alison Armstrong **028 9052 3498** climatechange@executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk
Northern Ireland Medical and Dental Training Agency			
nimdta.gov.uk	2 x Non Executive Members	£	Competition launch is anticipated between October-December 2026. Public.appointments@health-ni.gov.uk
Northern Ireland Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery			
nipec.hscni.net	2 x Non-Executive Members	£	Competition launch is anticipated between January-March 2027. Public.appointments@health-ni.gov.uk

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Northern Ireland Screen			
northernirelandscreen.co.uk	3 x Members		Competition launch date to be confirmed. Damien Smith **028 9025 7918** Damien.Smith@economy-ni.gov.uk Iain Bruce **028 9052 9348** Iain.Bruce@economy-ni.gov.uk
Patient and Client Council			
pcc-ni.net	2 x Non Executive Members	£	Competition launch is anticipated between April-June 2027. Public.appointments@health-ni.gov.uk
Public Health Agency			
publichealth.hscni.net	1 x Non Executive Director	£	Competition launch is anticipated between April-June 2027. Public.appointments@health-ni.gov.uk
Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority			
rqia.org.uk	2 x Members	£	Competition launch is anticipated between January-March 2027. Public.appointments@health-ni.gov.uk
Statistics Advisory Committee			
nisra.gov.uk/statistics-advisory-committee	1 x Chair		Competition launch date to be confirmed. Jacqueline Hyvart **028 9038 8449** Jacquie.Hyvart@nisra.gov.uk
Stranmillis University College			
stran.ac.uk/	1 x Chair 4 x Members		Competition launch is anticipated October 2026. Competition launch is anticipated October 2026. Iain Bruce **028 9052 9348** Iain.Bruce@economy-ni.gov.uk

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Ulster Supported Employment Ltd			
usel.co.uk/	1 x Chair	£	Competition launch is anticipated Spring 2027. Ruth McNeill **028 9081 9417** publicappointments@communities-ni.gov.uk
Western Health and Social Care Trust			
westerntrust.hscni.net	1 x Chair	£	Competition launch is anticipated October 2026.
	3 x Non Executive Directors	£	Public.appointments@health-ni.gov.uk

Key:
£=Paid Appointments

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School Governors – Applications Welcome

Have you ever considered being a school governor? The Department of Education is seeking candidates from all walks of life to serve as school governors.

For more information on being a school governor and how to submit an application go to the Department of Education website - www.education-ni.gov.uk/topics/school-governor-appointments or contact Governor Policy and Appointments Team by telephone on 028 9127 9927 or by e-mail to govapps@education-ni.gov.uk.

Vacancies

Included in this edition of 'All Aboard' is a list of public appointment vacancies that are expected to arise during the first half of 2027. Vacancies which are due to arise after the date of publication but before the six month period covered by this publication have also been included. Any public appointment vacancies arising after we go to print will be added to the website nidirect.gov.uk/public-appointments.

If you are interested in any of the vacancies listed, please contact the relevant departmental contact who can provide you with more information about the appointment and when it is due to be filled.

Mailing List

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