

## **Forgewood, North Motherwell and Town Centre**

### **Pride In Place Programme**

### **Neighbourhood Board Member**

### **Role Description**

#### **Who can apply to be a Neighbourhood Board Member?**

Neighbourhood Board Members should have a strong connection to the area of Forgewood, North Motherwell and the town centre.

Board Members will be individuals who:

- Care about their community and want to contribute to positive change
- Are willing to work collaboratively with others
- Can bring knowledge, experience, or perspectives that support the development and delivery of the Pride in Place Plan

#### **What is the role of a Neighbourhood Board Member?**

The Neighbourhood Board Member will:

- Be connected to their community and committed to improving it
- Contribute to shaping a shared vision for the future of the area
- Represent community interests, groups, or specialist knowledge where relevant
- Participate actively in Board discussions and decision-making
- Support the Chair in ensuring a collaborative and inclusive environment
- Engage with local people, organisations, and stakeholders to gather views and feedback
- Champion the Pride in Place programme within their networks
- Work constructively with other Board members, North Lanarkshire Council, and partners
- Avoid conflicts of interest that would impact their ability to fulfil the role

Board Members are not responsible for the day-to-day delivery of projects. This is a strategic role, supporting programme development and oversight. Delivery and

administration will be supported by North Lanarkshire Council and partner organisations.

Board Members will not be responsible for managing funding or reporting to the UK Government.

### **What are the skills and attributes of a good Neighbourhood Board Member?**

Key skills and attributes include:

- Willingness to listen and consider diverse perspectives
- Ability to contribute constructively to group discussions
- Collaborative and team-oriented approach
- Interest in community engagement and regeneration
- Reliability and commitment to attending meetings and supporting activities
- Openness to learning and development
- Ability to communicate effectively with a range of stakeholders

### **What are the expectations of a Neighbourhood Board Member?**

- Attend Board meetings regularly (expected every 8 weeks during development phase and are likely to take place during the day on Fridays)
- Review papers and contribute to discussions and decisions between meetings where required
- Participate in community engagement activity where appropriate
- Support the development of the Pride in Place Plan (to be submitted in November 2026)
- Continue involvement during delivery phase (from April 2027)
- Occasionally take part in networking events, workshops, or forums

Board Member roles are voluntary, similar to that of a charity trustee. Reasonable expenses (e.g. travel to approved events) may be reimbursed.

### **Summary of the Role**

Neighbourhood Board Members play a vital role in shaping and delivering the long-term vision for their area. Working alongside the Chair and partners, they ensure that community voices are heard and that the Pride in Place Programme delivers meaningful and lasting benefits for local people.