

LowCVP Members Council

This paper provides an update regarding BWG representation on the LowCVP Members Council. Member nominees are sought.

Under the new governance structure for LowCVP, a Members Council is being appointed to replace the present Steering Group. The Council will be a permanent sub-committee of the Board with specific delegated responsibilities. At its creation the activities of the Council will be:

- Overseeing the content and delivery of the work programme including establishing appropriate Working Groups
- Overseeing LowCVP communications activities including the annual conference
- Approving technical studies prior to their publication thereby ensuring that the outputs of individual Working Group activities reflect the broad range of opinions of LowCVP stakeholders
- Directing multi-sectoral activities (that cut-across the activities of several Working Groups)
- Agreeing the appropriateness of members and in-kind contributions (where this is disputed)

The Board, through the Managing Director, will also consult with the Council on:

- The strategic plan of the Partnership
- The annual level of membership contributions
- Specific policy or technical matters on which it requires the opinion of the Council or any of its Working Groups

The Council will receive, through the Managing Director, reports summarising the outcomes of Board meetings and other significant Partnership developments. Working groups will be sub-committees of the Council.

In addition to the Chairman, the BWG has 3 available places on the Council. The TOR for the Council requires each working group to appoint their representatives from a range of stakeholder groups. The Secretariat has proposed for the BWG representatives are drawn from:

- An bus manufacturer
- A bus operator
- A local authority or PTA

Members of the BWG who do not fall into one of these categories, or are very keen to join the Council may still apply to join through one of five ad-hoc positions available for the Council Members themselves to appoint.

Organisations interested in becoming members of the Council should inform the Director before the BWG meeting – if they have not already done so. In order to take up their places on the Council any organisation will need to join as owner-members of LowCVP.