Physical activity and sport play a vital role in individual health and well-being and a significant role in keeping the nation healthy. They can prevent ill-health and contribute to wider quality of life. As we struggle to cope with the demands and pressures of the Covid-19 crisis the role that exercise and physical activity plays in everyone’s lives has never had such profile.

Both can play a part in developing positive individual traits such as physical robustness and mental resilience, help prevent social isolation and anti-social behaviour. From an economic perspective, active people take less time off sick and are more productive.

**ACTIVE OXFORDSHIRE**

Active Oxfordshire is one of 43 Active Partnerships in the UK which contribute to the achievement of the Government’s five main outcomes for public investment in physical activity and sport

1) Physical Well-Being
2) Mental Well-Being
3) Individual Development
4) Social and Community Development
5) Economic Development.

Active Oxfordshire has undergone a transformation process and now has a permanent workforce of 10 FTE headed by the Chief Executive, Paul Brivio. Alan Webb is our new Chair and the Board has two Sub-Committees. One is focused on Strategy and Nominations including Performance Management; the other on Finance, Risk, Remuneration, Audit and Governance.

Active Oxfordshire has now achieved Tier 3 Governance Code Compliance as it is currently funded primarily by Sport England. It also receives other funding locally from organisations to deliver work on their behalf including Oxfordshire County Council Public Health and the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group.

**OUR VALUES**

- **Understand our Place and People**— We want to develop our knowledge, understanding, skills and evidence base so we can add value to local partners and utilise data and insight to influence systems change and healthy place shaping.

- **Learn and Improve** – We want to do more of “what works” and to improve the effectiveness of services to people and places where there is most need. We are fostering a culture of improvement, growth and learning that means we are always focused on the citizen/resident and on achieving our outcomes.

- **Collaborate** – We actively collaborate with organisations and individuals with an interest in sport and physical activity and develop productive two-way relationships underpinned by professionalism, integrity, and respect. We believe in removing the barriers to physical activity and sport for those who are under-represented and to be pro-active in tackling health inequalities across the County.

- **Make a difference** – We focus our energy and resources on interventions and campaigns that can make a tangible difference to the lives of Oxfordshire residents through physical activity and sport with a specific focus on health inequalities and reaching/engaging with those who are physically inactive.
TRUSTEES

We are now seeking to appoint at least 2 new trustees to help lead and develop our work.

This is an exciting role directly connected to the purpose and passion of the Active Oxfordshire’s work and a rare opportunity to join a committed and driven team. It will require a necessary blend of skills and experience to support the Chair and the deliver on the purpose and objects of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

Active Oxfordshire believes that diversity drives excellence and that representation is important in order to reflect diverse communities in 21st century Oxfordshire. Active Oxfordshire therefore positively welcomes, and seeks to ensure we achieve, diversity in our workforce and that all job applicants, volunteers and employees receive equal and fair treatment. We positively encourage applications from all candidates regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, disability, marriage and civil partnership status, gender identity, background, religion, faith, sexual orientation, maternity status, pregnancy, belief or nationality.

We also need to develop a skills based board who can help oversee the operation of a business-minded organisation delivering social and charitable objectives so we are looking for people with experience in business, charities or the voluntary sector with skills in marketing/communications; monitoring/evaluation and organisational development as priorities.

We need great people who work together as Board of Trustees to perform the principle tasks of:

- Providing advocacy for physical activity and sport in Oxfordshire
- Championing Active Oxfordshire across all partnership networks and to key stakeholders in particular
- Promoting the Active Oxfordshire purpose and vision as set out in the Operational Plan.
- Developing a sustainable Business Model for the organisation, setting strategic goals within a long-term business plan with clear KPIs while ensuring that effective monitoring is in place to evaluate progress to achieving those goals
- Providing appropriate check and challenge to the staff team.
- Contributing to board performance and management and ensuring ongoing improvement and development as assessed through the Sport England Performance Management and Improvement Framework (PMIF)

Trustee positions are non-executive and not salaried although out of pocket expenses will be paid where appropriate.

TIME

Trustees will be expected to be able to make the following time commitments to fulfil their duties which include:

- Induction training
- Four Board meetings including one annual Board Away Day
- Potential membership of one of the two main Sub-Committees and/or Working Groups
• Two Partnership networking events staged annually

**HOW TO APPLY**

Candidates should submit their CV, together with a covering letter expressing their reason and interest for applying along with how they meet the role and person specification. Please provide a signed copy of the Declaration attached if appropriate and return to Paul Brivio, Chief Executive at: paulbrivio@activeoxfordshire.org.

**T**: 07741733777

**The application deadline is May 22nd 2020.**

**For more information and/or an informal discussion please contact Stuart Henshaw: Vice-Chair and SID on henshawsw@gmail.com or Paul Brivio.**