



ADVERTISEMENT: Chair of Disability Bowls England

Disability Bowls England (DBE) is the co-ordinating body for bowlers of all ages and abilities with a physical, sensory or memory/learning difficulty.

Established in August 2015, DBE was created to fill the void for disabled bowlers in provision of disability-specific bowls opportunities, with a key focus to engage with local clubs, building a regional infrastructure to provide regular and easily accessed participation opportunities.

The work of DBE differs from other national bowls bodies as it is the only organisation with the specific aim of delivering multi disability bowls events which includes introductory sessions and introductory competitions, individual coaching and competitive opportunities at local, national and international levels.

DBE currently has more than 500 individual members across the country and is supported by a small part-time staff team and volunteers.

The ideal candidate should be comfortable working at a strategic level alongside a mix of staff and volunteers. Whilst prior experience of the sport of bowls is not essential, knowledge or experience of the sporting sector would be an advantage.

Main duties:

- To run Board meetings and lead the organisation in terms of strategy, vision and mission.
- To lead the committee and the organisation to enable it to fulfil its purpose.
- To ensure an effective relationship between:
 - the committee and any staff/volunteers
 - the committee and the external stakeholders/community
- To act as a spokesperson and figurehead as appropriate.
- To supervise and support staffing and volunteers

Specifically:

- Plan and prepare the committee meetings and the AGM with others as appropriate.
- Chair committee meetings ensuring:
 - A balance is struck between time-keeping and space for discussions.
 - Business is dealt with and decisions made.
 - Decisions, actions and deliberations are adequately minuted.
 - The implementation of decisions is clearly assigned and monitored.
- Ensure adequate support and supervision arrangements are made for any other future staff/volunteers directly managed or reporting to the committee.
- Ensure that a successor is found before the term of office finishes.

Qualities:

- A willingness to lead the organisation
- Possesses tact, diplomacy and powers of persuasion.
- Possesses relevant knowledge
- Has the relevant skills to run a meeting efficiently.

Disability Bowls England is an equal opportunities employer, and applications are welcome from all suitably qualified individuals.

For an informal discussion regarding the position please contact Paul Brown on 07810 868015 or e-mail: info@disabilitybowlsengland.org.uk

There is no requirement for applications to be from a current member of Disability Bowls England.

To apply candidates should send a covering letter, no more than one side of A4, along with a CV to info@disabilitybowlsengland.org.uk

All applications must be received by 5pm on Friday 3rd April 2020.