

Leeds Climate Commission Co-Chair Role

Are you:

A leader, used to influencing and building strong relationships across sectors and building momentum in place?

A strategic thinker able to cut across sectors and silos?

Passionate about progressing urgent and well-informed climate action?

Approachable and able to demonstrate a collaborative approach?

Able to stand back and hold an impartial view, ensuring the Commission's independence?

Do you have experience of working with leaders across the private sectors or with policy makers?

If so, we would love you to apply to become Co-Chair of the Leeds Climate Commission (June/July 2024 – June/July 2027).

Context:

The Leeds Climate Commission is an independent advisory body that has brought together a wide range of people from the public, private and third sectors to support, facilitate, enable and drive the delivery of ambitious climate action across Leeds. It was the first Climate Commission in the UK, and over the last 5 years has inspired the development of nearly 30 Commissions across the UK.

What does success look like?

- ✓ The Commission has supported and enabled the existence of thriving, well-informed and coordinated collaborations that exist across all sectors in the city.
- ✓ The Commission is driving impactful, positive and fair change, achieving our collective goal of becoming the first net zero and well adapting city in the UK.

How are we going to deliver this?

- **Evaluate progress** on climate action and strengthen our collective evidence based through the development of a city dashboard
- **Convene and facilitate** stakeholders to share effective climate action, mobilising existing capacity and allowing difficult questions to be asked and shared solutions to thrive
- **Catalyse action and focus on impact** by utilising the independence and trust of the Commission to create collaboration and manage partnerships to lead ambitious new climate action projects

The Commission is also working to create a more stable policy environment that builds confidence and attracts investment in action on climate and nature within the city.

Chair role description:

- Chair the quarterly main Commission meetings, in partnership with the Co-Chair
- Agree agenda, assist in preparation, agree actions to take forward
- Promote the Commission and its work with key city stakeholders
- Support fundraising activities in the short term and review the LCCs progression to an appropriate self-sustaining model in the medium term.
- Working with the Director and the Leadership Commissioners, providing a strategic steer and review of the work of the Commission, including approval of spend and guiding resource allocation, as well as ensuring good and diverse presentation across the Commission and supporting recruitment when necessary
- Advocate and champion on behalf of the Commission
- (Co)author blogs and support with media where appropriate
- Attend and support engagement events (online and in person)
- Connect with Yorkshire and Humber Climate Commission Chairs, as well as other Commission Chairs around the country, sharing thoughts and developing strategic leadership connections

What are we offering?

- A clearly positioned part of the collective senior leadership on climate action across Leeds.

- The ability to use the convening power of the Commission to accelerate actions within the Commissions priorities.
- Where this activity is aligned to the Commission's priorities there could be some supporting resource from within the Commission's staff team
- The opportunity to see exemplar work in the city (and beyond!) through in-person visits aligned with the Commission meetings.
- The opportunity to work with us and an amazing group of Commissioners, Associates and Affiliates to make a difference to Leeds now and for generations to come!

Expected time commitments:

- Attendance and input at quarterly meetings and/ or specific task and finish project meetings as necessary
- Annual face to face networking and collaboration event
- Commitment to be Co-Chair until June 2027, at which point there will be a review led by the Director with the leadership Commissioners

The position covers the period June/July 2024-June/July 2027.

Please note this is a voluntary role.

How to apply

Apply using this online form: [Leeds Climate Commission Co-Chair vacancy](#)

Deadline for applications: Friday 21 June 2024 (midnight)

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