

CLD Standards Council Standing Committee Member Recruitment Summer 2023

The CLD Standards Council Scotland is looking for **new** Members (Registered or Associate) to join its 3 Standing Committees. The Standing Committees have a key role in overseeing and directing the work of the CLD Standards Council within the committee area of responsibility. The committee's work closely with the staff team to achieve the ambitions of the committee work plan. The committees are required to keep the executive committee informed of progress and development of the work it is responsible for, highlight any issues of note or concern and refer any decisions with implications for the Council as a whole to the executive and the CLD Standards Council Director. There are opportunities for the 3 committees to work on shared projects and areas of interest.

About Us

The CLD Standards Council is the professional body for Community Learning and Development practitioners in Scotland who are paid employees or volunteer in the areas of Adult Learning, Community Development and Youth Work. The CLD Standards Council was established by the Scottish Government in 2008 and is a member led organisation with almost 3000 members at present. Our approach and work plans to deliver our core responsibilities are defined by our member committees and based on feedback from the wider membership.

Our Vision

Our vision is that the communities and people of Scotland are served by CLD practitioners that are recognised as competent, confident and committed to equality, empowerment and life-wide learning for all.

Our Mission

Our mission is to drive high standards of professional practice in the CLD sector by the approval of professional learning, the registration of practitioners and the enabling of professional development, working with our members to be a voice for the profession.

Strategic Objectives

- 1. Deliver, maintain and further develop a professional Approvals structure for qualifications, courses and development opportunities for everyone involved in CLD.
- 2. Maintain and develop the Registration system and establish members' services for practitioners delivering and active in CLD.



- 3. Maintain and develop models of Profession Learning and training opportunities for CLD practitioners.
- 4. Improve and develop our organisational capability.
- 5. Lead and contribute to relevant CLD policy and workforce information services.

In addition to the 3 Standing Committees, the CLD Standards Council is led by an Executive Committee.

Who we need

We need people who can represent the increasingly diverse nature of Community Learning and Development practice however, we are particularly interested in hearing from colleagues who are:

- ✓ Organisational and business development.
- ✓ Quality assurance / performance management and scrutiny.
- ✓ Communications and marketing.
- ✓ Project management.
- ✓ Digital / IT related areas of practice.
- ✓ Further Education, Qualification and Credit Rating

What you can Expect

- ✓ To work with CLD professionals across all areas of practice.
- ✓ Professional learning opportunities.
- ✓ Informing the development of CLD qualifications and monitoring the delivery of these qualifications
- ✓ Networking across CLD networks including third sector, local and Scottish Government.
- ✓ Networking across Further and Higher Education Networks.
- ✓ Networking across UK and Ireland CLD connections to JETS (Joint Education Training Standards) and TAG (The Professional Association of Lecturers in Youth and Community Work)
- ✓ Conference attendance and involvement
- ✓ Shaping CLD Standards Council policy, practice and workforce developments
- ✓ Support for you in discussions with your employer to confirm the benefits of you being actively involved in your Professional Body.
- ✓ Travel expenses
- ✓ Induction training
- ✓ Participate in wider Education Reform
- ✓ Engagement with the review of the CLD Regulations.

What we ask of you

✓ To be a current Member of the CLD Standards Council.



- ✓ A commitment to raising standards across all aspects of our work.
- ✓ To support and serve on the Standing Committee for minimum of four years
- ✓ To attend a minimum of four Standing Committee Meetings per annum.
- ✓ Where appropriate, to contribute to short-term projects that progress the work
 of the CLD Standards Council.
- ✓ To secure the agreement of your line manager to this commitment.
- ✓ To undertake induction and relevant professional learning programmes.

<u>Meetings</u>

These will be a mixture of online (using Microsoft Teams) and in-person using Education Scotland office accommodation in locations across Scotland. Predominantly previous meetings have been held at The Optima, Robertson Street, Glasgow though it is the intention to hold meetings in other locations.

In addition to the formal Standing Committee meetings, there will be the opportunity to support short-life thematic working groups as well as attend the annual full council meeting where members of the Executive Committee, the 3 standing committees and the staff team come together to review the previous year's activity, consider emerging policy and practice areas and agree priority actions for the year ahead.

Duration of Appointments

All appointments will be made for an initial 3 year period. There may be times when those who have served the 3 years are requested to continue in order to complete ongoing projects or to allow for continuity of knowledge.

Next Steps

- Closing Date is Friday 9th June 2023
- Download an application form from our website or email contact@cldstandardscouncil.org.uk to have one sent to you.
- Once you have completed the form, you can send it to us by email to contact@cldstandardscouncil.org.uk titled Standing Committee Application
- An Appointments Panel comprised of CLD Standards Council Chairs and Committee Members will review applications.
- Short-listed candidates will be contacted for a brief professional discussion.



- Successful candidates will be advised the week beginning 24 July 2023 with an in-person induction day being held on Friday 18 August 2023, venue to be agreed..
- Unsuccessful applicants will be contacted the same week to explore other opportunities with the CLD Standards Council.

Further information available on

- our website www.cldstandardscouncil.org.uk
- Twitter: @cldstandardscouncil #BecauseOfCLD

If you want to discuss the role in more detail, please email contact@cldstandardscouncil.org.uk to arrange an informal chat.

Thank You!

For your interest and support for the CLD Standards Council. We look forward to receiving your application.