



**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF  
INDEPENDENT (NON-ELECTED) MEMBERS  
TO CHESHIRE FIRE AUTHORITY**

**1. PERSONAL DETAILS**

**Title:**

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Postcode:**

**Contact Details:**

**Daytime Telephone Number:**

**Mobile Telephone Number:**

**Email Address:**

**2. ELIGIBILITY**

- a) Please provide information which is relevant to any of the restrictions contained in Annex 4 of the Application Pack.
  
- b) Please also provide details of any criminal convictions that are not spent (including offence date and sentence imposed)

**3. QUALIFICATIONS**

(Please list any qualifications which you think are relevant to the role of Independent (non-elected) Member)

**4. SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE**

(Please give a brief account of your experience including career, public and voluntary work together with the nature of your current or most recent occupation)

**5. RELEVANT EXPERTISE/SKILLS**

(Please outline briefly any knowledge or expertise which you believe would be particularly relevant to your role as an Independent (Non-elected) Member having regard to the Outline of Skills and Role Description and the Selection Criteria)

**6. PERSONAL STATEMENT**

(Please explain why you want to be an Independent (non-elected Member))

**7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

(Please provide any additional information you may wish to give in support of your application).

**8. INDEPENDENCE**

(Please provide details of any 'interests' which might cause there to be concerns about your "independence".)

**9. REFERENCES**

Please supply details of two referees. Reference will be taken up for all applicants before a recommendation is made to the Fire Authority.

1. Name:	2. Name
.....	.....
Address:	Address:
.....	.....
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.....	.....
Telephone No: .....	Telephone No: .....

Authority and confirm that I have given a true and complete response to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I declare that I have considered the information in Section 3 of the Application Pack and can that confirm that I am not ineligible.

Signed: .....

Date: .....

Please return this application form by 9am Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January addressed to:

Joanne Smith  
Governance and Corporate Planning Manager  
Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service  
Clemonds Hey  
Winsford  
Cheshire  
CW7 2UA

Or the completed form to [joanne.smith@cheshirefire.gov.uk](mailto:joanne.smith@cheshirefire.gov.uk)



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Please read this form carefully before completing it in type or dark ink

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FORM

Cheshire Fire & Rescue Service aims to provide equal opportunities and fair treatment for all people and is determined to ensure that no applicant, employee or volunteer:

- receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of sex or marital status, sexual orientation, colour, race, nationality, ethnic or national origins.

To help monitor the effectiveness of our recruitment policy, Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service would be grateful if you would complete the following:

***Please X the appropriate boxes.***

I am:  Female  Male

Is your gender identity the same as the gender you were assigned at birth?

Yes  No

If you answered **No** to the previous question, Do you live and work full time in the gender role opposite to the one assigned at birth?

Yes  No

Age:  17-24  25-35  36-45  46-55  56-65  66+

Marital Status:  Single  Civil Partnership  Married  Divorced/Separated  
 living together

**Nationality**

Are you a UK citizen?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Are you an EU citizen?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
If "yes", from which country:	
If "no", to all the above, what visa do you hold and when does this expire:	
National Insurance Number:	

<b>Sexual Orientation</b>	
<b>Are you:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bisexual <input type="checkbox"/> Gay/Lesbian	<input type="checkbox"/> Heterosexual/ straight <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to state

<b>Ethnicity - I would describe my ethnic origin as:</b>	
<b>White</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> British <input type="checkbox"/> Irish	<input type="checkbox"/> Any other White background
<b>Mixed</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> White and Black Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> White and Black African	<input type="checkbox"/> White and Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Any other mixed background
<b>Asian or Asian British</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani	<input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Asian Background
<b>Black or Black British</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> African	<input type="checkbox"/> Any other Black background
<b>Chinese or other Ethnic Group</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Ethnic Group
Other (please provide details)	
<b>Gypsy and Traveller</b>	

<input type="checkbox"/> Romany/Roma Gypsy  <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Irish Traveller
Other (please provide details)	

<b>Religious Belief/Faith</b>	
<b>Are you:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Buddhist <input type="checkbox"/> Christian <input type="checkbox"/> Hindu <input type="checkbox"/> Jewish <input type="checkbox"/> Muslim	<input type="checkbox"/> Sikh <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to state

<b>Where did you find out about this vacancy? (Please tick one box)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> From a current Fire Service employee	
<input type="checkbox"/> The Fire Service website	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheshire Fire & Rescue Service Green Bulletin/ Intranet	
<input type="checkbox"/> Step Into Work Programme	
<input type="checkbox"/> Job Centre (please state branch name/location)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper/other publication (please state name)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please give details)	

## Equality Act 2010

In accordance with the Equality Act 2010 we are asking the question at the bottom of this page to ensure that all applicants who are disabled receive the appropriate support and reasonable adjustments and to monitor all aspects of our recruitment process.

Below are the 4 definitions of someone who is classed a disabled under the Act.

1. A disabled person is someone who has a **physical or mental impairment**.

**Physical impairment** includes hearing and visual impairments and conditions such as diabetes, dyslexia, severe disfigurement, heart conditions and epilepsy. It also includes anyone who has an impairment which is likely to develop over time such as cancer, multiple sclerosis, or someone living with HIV or AIDS.

**Mental impairment** includes learning disabilities and mental illnesses.

People whose impairments are controlled, corrected or adjusted by medication or appliances are covered by the DDA, as are those who have had a disability in the past but have since recovered.

2. The impairment has got to last, or be expected to last, **at least 12 months**.
  - a person with a broken leg who is only temporarily disabled would not be covered.
  - a person who has had an impairment, which may happen again, is covered.
3. The impairment must have a substantial and long term adverse effect. This may be obvious in the time it takes someone to carry out a task or in the way he/she carries out the task.
4. The impairment must affect the person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. These include mobility; manual dexterity; physical co-ordination; continence; ability to lift or carry objects; speech, hearing or sight; memory or ability to concentrate, learn or understand.

Do you consider yourself to be disabled as defined above?

YES  NO