Grant Advisory Panel Member Role

Overview of Charity Bank

Charity Bank is the loans and savings bank for charities, social enterprises and people who want to make the world a better place. We are a deposit-taking bank regulated by the Prudential Regulation Authority (PRA) and the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA).

The bank uses savers’ money to provide much needed loans to UK organisations who are working to drive positive social change - bringing benefits for people, communities, and the environment.

Since 2002, Charity Bank has made more than 1,200 loans totaling over £500m across the arts, community, education, environment, faith, health, housing, regeneration, social care, sports and other social purpose organisations.

Charity Bank is owned by social purpose organisations and aims to use its expertise, commitment, and flexible approach to lending, to help charities and social enterprises get the support and funding they need.

LEAP Programme

LEAP is a new Charity Bank lending programme providing smaller loans on flexible terms. The programme has the capacity to provide grants to organisations that need additional support to access our social investment. In addition, LEAP has specific objectives for reaching ethnically diverse organisations and other groups that have experienced exclusion from social investment in the past.

The programme is supported by investment from Access - The Foundation for Social Investment.

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A key function of the Grant Advisory Panel is to provide review, oversight, and challenge in respect of our grant programmes and other activities with a focus on supporting the Bank to deliver on our social and diversity objectives.

As a Panel member, you will be part of a collective reflection and learning process to ensure that we are reaching our target organisations and achieving programme objectives relating to social impact and Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

Who are we looking for?

We want to ensure that our Grant Advisory Panel best reflects the experiences of the people, organisations, and communities for whom the programme exists for. We are therefore looking for individuals who:

- Are passionate about enhancing social impact and diversifying our portfolio.
- Possess an interest or experience in working with underfunded and marginalized communities, including strategies for outreach.
- Have prior experience sitting on a committee.
Terms of Appointment

Time commitment

We anticipate this role involving 4 to 7 days per year. 4 days will be remote, and we will have 1 annual in-person meeting.

Remuneration

Committee members will be paid £250 per meeting.

Term

The appointment is for an initial term of three years.

How to Apply

To apply, please send over a CV and cover letter to mphiri@charitybank.org with the subject line Grant Advisory Panel by 12th January 2024.

Applications will be considered, and a shortlist of candidates will be invited for a panel interview.

Timeline

Application window closes: 12th January 2024

Interviews to be held from: w/c 15th January 2024

Decisions: 31st January 2024

Start of tenure: February 2024