



Hello!

Thank you so much for your interest in joining the Grimsby Together Fund and Governance Taskforce. The Taskforce will work alongside the Grimsby Together working groups, looking at different ways of funding and overseeing change.

This is because, too often, traditional funding models:

- reflect national priorities
- lead to local competition
- ...and give rise to short-term projects where impact ends when the funding ends

This Task Force has a mandate to re-imagine things:

- What if, in Grimsby, our funding and governance model could back local action and put local people in control?
- What if we prioritised approaches that kept money circulating locally, for long-term change?
- What if funding decisions were transparent and gave room for flexibility and learning?

These are big but exciting questions - and if you could imagine being part of coming up with the answer, we'd love you to apply to the Taskforce. We hope this will be a fun and engaging opportunity to work with a great group of people.

The Taskforce currently comprises:

- Simon Beeton, CEO of Navigo (Chair)
- David Talbot, CEO of Catch
- Mark Webb, Managing Director of E-Factor Group Ltd
- Julie Walmsley, CEO of Doorstep
- Spencer Hunt, Assistant Director of Safer and Stronger Place

These individuals were selected due to their knowledge and first-hand experience in developing innovative governance models, as well as their membership in the Plan for Neighbourhood Board (formerly the Greater Grimsby Board, which is the group with ultimate oversight of the final Plan.

This pack covers:

1. Taskforce Members' role
2. Time commitment
3. Recruitment process and timeline

To apply to join the Taskforce, please complete the online form [here](#), telling us how you fit the criteria (as per page 5 of this pack)

We look forward to working with you,

Simon Beeton

Chair of the Grimsby Together Fund and Governance Task Force

1. Taskforce Role

The Taskforce, as with the Working groups will bring together people who are passionate about building a positive future for the town, are excited about the work that others are doing to build it, want to support work across the town to succeed, are getting stuck in to contribute and want to bring others into the positive change underway in the town.

Do you have:

- Experience in governance, board management, or strategic planning
- Understanding of community development, regeneration, or related fields
- Knowledge of funding mechanisms, grant-making, or financial management
- Experience working with diverse stakeholders and communities

Are you:

- Interested in 'how' decisions are made and representation in decision-making for all
- Curious about how we can join the dots between organisations or projects to support each other
- Creative in 'thinking' how something **can** work, rather than accepting the status quo

Can you demonstrate:

Strategic thinking ability to see the bigger picture and long-term implications

Collaborative approach - skilled at building consensus and managing different perspectives

Communication skills - able to explain complex concepts clearly

Cultural competence - understanding of diverse community needs and perspectives

Problem-solving - creative approach to balancing competing requirements

Commitment to transparency - dedication to open and accountable decision-making

2. Time commitment

This work is over the next five months and during that time Task Force members will be asked to:

- Attend all three two-hour Taskforce meetings
- Commit to doing the allocated work outside of the meeting
- Commit to reviewing materials before meetings
- Commit to engaging with others across the town outside of meetings to gather their ideas and input into the work
- Attend at least one of the public events to update on the work underway (September and October – dates to be decided)

3. Meeting your needs

Please contact us at: grimsbytogether@our-future.io if you have access needs that require you to submit your application in a different format or which would need to be met for you to be part of the working group.

North East Lincolnshire Council's Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Policy will be applied to the working group recruitment process and in line with this anyone applying will be requested to complete an anonymous inclusion monitoring form.

Data Protection and Privacy Notice

How we use your personal information

When you apply to join a working group, we will collect and process your personal information in accordance with UK data protection law (UK GDPR and Data Protection Act 2018).

What information we collect:

- Your name, contact details, and any other information you provide in your application
- Records of our recruitment process and decisions

Why we collect this information:

- To assess your application for working group membership
- To contact you about the recruitment process and outcomes
- To maintain records of our selection process for transparency and accountability

Legal basis for processing: We process your data under the legal basis of 'legitimate interests' - specifically, our legitimate interest in recruiting suitable working group members for the Plan for Neighbourhoods programme. Our Future's privacy policy can be found here: <https://www.our-future.io/privacy-policy>

4. Recruitment Process

On receipt of applications (whether digitally or in other formats) Our Future will screen the applications to ensure nominees will meet the following basic criteria:

- **Geography:** Lives or work in Grimsby
- **Time Commitment:** Can commit to both the meetings and engaging with this work outside meetings

Taskforce ‘fit’: Demonstrates some connection to or interest in Funding and Governance. *Please note we won’t take forward incomplete applications.*

Selection will be agreed by a group comprising at least two Task-Force Group Members, including the Chair, supported by a member of the Our Future team; however, the decision will be made by the Chair using the following criteria:

- Already focused on matters of funding and/or governance:* Experience working on funding and/or governance or citizen-led decision making
- Collaborative approach:* Committed to working with others for the long-term good of the town
- Commitment to the ways of working:*
 - Future-focused*
 - Cares about the collective good of the town*
 - Inclusive:* Demonstrates awareness of barriers that prevent some people from participating and shows commitment to making this work accessible to all
- Availability:* Can attend the briefing meeting, all three scheduled meetings, and at least one public consultation event. Our preference is that members can attend **all** meetings.

We will also seek to ensure, where possible, that the Task Force brings a breadth of perspectives from across sectors, across Grimsby and from different aspects of the theme. This recognises that the change will be made by all of us from all sectors contributing.

Results

We only have two positions available for open recruitment – whilst we are hopeful that people will be interested in being part of this, sadly, space is limited. However, there are other ways of getting involved if you are unable to join the Task Force, and we welcome you being involved in another way.

You will be contacted if the outcome is positive by **28th July 2025**. If, for some reason, a decision has not been made by that date, we will keep you updated. However, our goal is to move through this quickly.

Timeline

- Applications open: 16th July
- Applications close: 25th July
- Recruitment process completes: 28th July
- Publication of group members appointed: 30th July
- Members online briefing session: 1st September