



“Ever thought of being a part of the decision making process and make a difference?”

“Get On Board” is a short course which has been designed specifically for people interested in serving on the Boards of **public bodies** in Northern Ireland. This accredited programme has been running successfully since March 2006.

The course will provide participants with a clear understanding of what it takes to be successful both during the appointments process and while serving on a Board. Course content will include the role and responsibilities of public bodies, the appointment process, how to run and manage effective Board meetings, financial management responsibility and how to make decisions at board level.

Course participants will be expected to commit 30 hours to the programme, which is accredited through the Northern Ireland Open College Network at Level 2.

Eileen Mullan, Project Leader for Governance at the Belfast Institute says “this is an exciting and innovative initiative which undoubtedly will open up the public appointments process and make it more accessible and transparent to those who wish to serve their communities. The course has the full support of the Commissioner for Public Appointments for Northern Ireland”.

The Belfast Institute is currently recruiting for courses to begin in September 2007. Programmes are presently running in Belfast. If you would like further information, or wish to register an interest in the programme, please contact:

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