

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR SCHOOL ADMISSION APPEAL PANELS



Do you have an interest in education?

Do you want to play an important role in ensuring the school allocation process is fair?

Are you good at listening to people and making balanced decisions?

We are looking for new people to join our group of School Appeal Panel Members. Panel members are independent volunteers who decide the outcome of school appeals, where a parent wants to challenge the Council's decision to refuse their child a place at their preferred school.

All panels need to include at least one person with no experience of working in schools, and at least one person who has experience in education. We are particularly looking for volunteers who are or have been employed as a teacher or learning support assistant, or volunteers who have children registered at a school.

Our Panel members said the following about volunteering with us:

- 'For me, I felt I was able to make a difference and to contribute to the community that I live in'
- 'I applied to be a panel member as the panel has the authority to come to a fair, appropriate decision at individual hearings.'
- 'I volunteered for the Panel because hoped that I might be able to contribute some of the skills and experience I had acquired in my previous career and benefit from volunteering locally in a challenging and important area of administration'

To find out more information or to apply, please go to <https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/school-admissions/school-admission-appeals/school-admission-appeals-panel> or email us at appeals@bracknell-forest.gov.uk with any questions.