



Unpaid position, reasonable expenses will be covered.

Board member for West London Mission Strides Circuit Meeting (SCM)

The West London Mission Services seeks a qualified counsellor/psychotherapist to sit on the board of its newly constituted Strides Circuit Meeting (SCM) – which was formed October 2024.

This follows the statement made by Rev. Peter Cornick the superintendent minister in March 2022

'Following consultations and advice, the West London Mission Circuit Meeting (currently, the trustee board of WLM Services) voted to create a separate charitable body for the WLM Services. This would mean the trustee board in the future, for WLM Services, will not be the Circuit Meeting. This is to address issues of the governance of risk, about which the Circuit has been advised.

Following this decision, an Implementation Committee with two independent Chairs was set up in June 2022 to support the West London Mission as they move towards this Governance separation and that work continues today under Campbell Tickell. The SCM is an interim solution to enable the WLM Circuit to meet its regulatory requirements under the Charity Commission code of governance and support the Executive team at Strides in their operational capacity.

The SCM meets quarterly for two hours at the Strides central office at the Foundry, 17 Oval Way, Vauxhall SE11 4NT. We estimate this role to be up to 2 days a month time commitment. This is due to the fact that the SCM Board member also sits on the HCC Steering Group which is also once a quarter.

We are particularly seeking individuals with professional counselling and psychotherapy qualification and experience or relevant qualifications, as this expertise will be instrumental in addressing the need of clinical governance for Highbury Counselling Centre after the long service of one of our Boards members who has retired.

A Board member with experience in counselling will bring valuable insights to our work, particularly in shaping policies and services that directly support mental health and well-being."

Experience in counselling or related fields, with a strong understanding of mental health issues and support services.

If you have a background in counselling and a passion for making a difference, we would love to hear from you.

The work of the Strides (formerly known as WLM) frequently intersects with issues of mental health and well-being. The nominated Board member with a counselling background will play a pivotal role in ensuring that our services are empathetic, informed, and impactful.

Please contact our EA to the CEO - Shelley Marlborough on shelley.marlborough@strides.org.uk for more details and a candidate pack.

We are conducting interviews early in the New Year