

NEWSLETTER



Mad for it in Manchester!

It was great to see so many of our friends and partners at the CIH annual conference in Manchester last week and at our networking mixer on Thursday.

CIH Manchester is the largest housing festival and annual conference in Europe, taking place across the city from 27th to 29th June, attended by house builders, housing associations, suppliers, government agencies and, of course, us.

After a decent period of nice weather we even had the Manchester rain to welcome everybody on Thursday, but the drizzle did nothing to dampen the spirits of our team and everyone who came to join us at our networking evening. Our very own Mushtaq, who had earlier been speaking on the subject of tenant engagement on a lively panel, introduced two of our Board Excellence Programme graduates, Tom Mackrory and Kevin Maxwell.

As their awards were presented by our esteemed chair Debansu Das, Tom spoke with humour and passion, in equal measures, about our shared mission to improve the level of diversity on boards across the sector, and we took the opportunity earlier to do a video interview with Kevin around his work in housing and homelessness.

More of that later.

So our thanks to all of you, who joined us on a fun and lively evening of collaboration and to give us the chance to chat with friends old and new.

HDN Board Excellence Programme



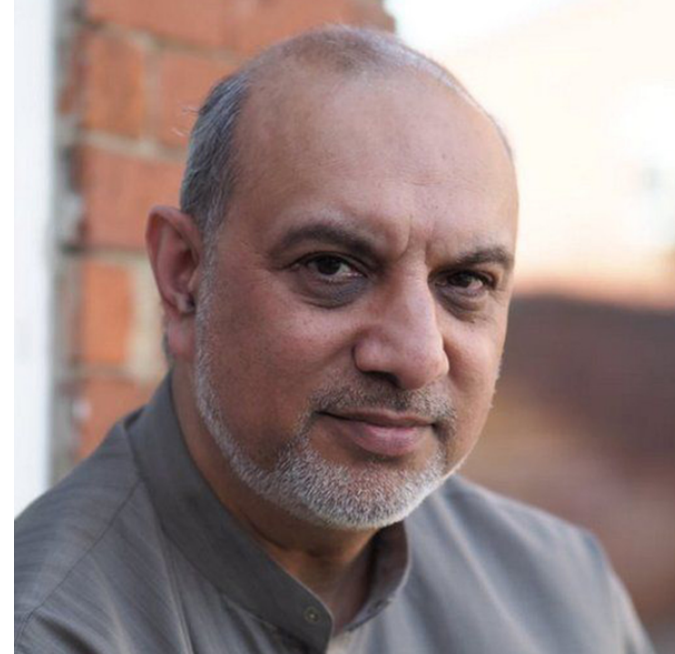
The HDN Board Excellence Programme is the key to unlocking the potential of your organisation's board or committee. With a focus on enhancing governance, compliance, and inclusivity, this CPD accredited programme is now open for applications. Our comprehensive programme is designed to empower board members to become more effective, self-aware, and confident leaders. Participants will attend workshops delivered by the Regulator of Social Housing and senior professionals operating in the sector. They will gain in-depth knowledge on the latest housing sector developments, and collaborate with peers to share best practices.

What sets the HDN Board Excellence Programme apart is access to a personal development coordinator and dedicated external mentor, who will provide invaluable one-to-one support. Participants will also have the opportunity to attend group sessions, both online and "in person", that delve into critical topics such as finance, risk management, assurance, and board dynamics.

At HDN, we believe that board and committee members should have equal opportunities for growth and development, which is why our programme offers excellent value for both members and non-members. If you're interested in finding out more about the HDN Board Excellence Programme, please get in touch with us at boardmentormg@housingdiversitynetwork.co.uk or call us at 01484 652 606.

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to elevate your board's performance and expand your network!

Abdul takes on the ECB



At our network mixer we caught up with our good pal Abdul Ravat, the housing professional and cricket campaigner who had crossed the Pennines from his beloved Yorkshire to see us. Anyone listening to BBC 5 Live or the BBC News on Wednesday may well have heard Abdul with his response to the report just published by the Independent Commission for Equity in Cricket which accuses English game of being racist, sexist and classist.

Abdul joined us on a live video discussion when the Yorkshire CCC scandal broke and also talked about the subject in our second series of podcasts, and I'm sure we'll be speaking again very soon.

EVENTS

<p>Becoming an NED: Finding the Right Board...</p> <p>It's not just about the board application but finding the right board for...</p> <p>Jul 19, 2023 (1:00 PM - 2:15 PM) (GMT+1)</p>	<p>HDN Online Workshop: Powerful Workplace Allies</p> <p>Jul 25, 2023 (10:00 AM - 1:00 PM) (GMT+1)</p>
<p>HDN Autumn Conference 2023: Breaking Bar...</p> <p>Nov 6, 2023 (9:30 AM - 5:00 PM) (GMT+0)</p> <p>The Eastside Rooms England, United Kingdom</p>	<p>HDN Online Workshop: Creating a Diverse and Inclusive Recruitment Culture</p> <p>Dec 5, 2023 (10:00 AM - 1:00 PM) (GMT+0)</p>

[For details of ALL our events CLICK HERE](#)

NOW HIRING

Group Board Member



Nottingham City Council have an opportunity for someone with experience in the disposal of housing assets to take on the role of Group Board member – to bring expert and objective oversight and advice.

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Assistant Director of Development Delivery



Paradigm Housing Group are recruiting for a new Assistant Director of Development Delivery. As Assistant Director, you will lead the Development Delivery team and build on external stakeholder relationships to strengthen the function, embed commercial disciplines and processes, and ensure adherence to agreed design and quality standards.

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Chief People Officer



Curo are recruiting for a Chief People Officer who is driven to innovate and can turn 'good' into 'world-class'. Working alongside a close-knit and high performing executive team, and a highly skilled Board, one of your first tasks will be to create our brand-new People Strategy.

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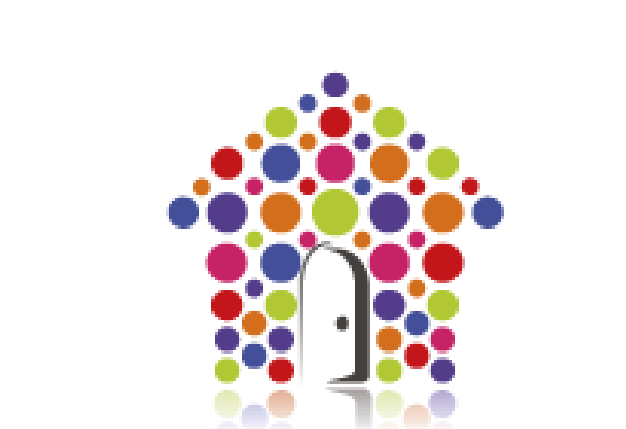
Board Members



Mount Green Housing Association are seeking three customer focused board members - one with sector experience of asset management and maintenance and two others with experience in a broad range of areas including audit and risk, development, people and IT.

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Chair of the Board



Manningham Housing Association are seeking a new Non-Executive Chair to provide strategic thinking to match the ambitions of the organisation. Keen to ensure that MHA isn't just a provider of homes but being a place shaper landlord in the neighbourhoods.

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Chair of the Board



Paradigm Housing Group is seeking to appoint a new Chair who shares their passion for delivering high quality homes and services to those who need them. The Chair will provide leadership to the Board and establish a constructive working relationship with their Chief Executive and wider executive team to deliver the vision and values of Paradigm.

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NEW MEMBERS



What We Do at HDN

Contact us to see if we can help



We work with organisations on a range of equality, diversity and inclusion issues. These include management and leadership training, board and executive team discussions on Black Lives Matter and/or the pandemic, and reviewing and helping on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plans and Strategies.

Contact [Mushtaq Khan](#) for further details.

WHAT THE TEAM'S BEEN TALKING ABOUT THIS WEEK

At our Manchester Networking event the team had a chance to catch up and while, for the sports fans among us the Second Ashes Test was in mind, we all saw something of Glastonbury last week. There was more sunshine than mud at Worthy Farm as festival goers enjoyed a spectacular array of acts. The senior end of our team recognised pretty much the whole set of Sir Elton John's latest farewell gig while the rockers enjoyed the aging Guns and Roses and Foo Fighters.

We have fans of Fatboy Slim and Christine and the Queens here too, while there was plenty for the young'uns with rappers Lizzo and Aitch smashing it.

Who were your favourites?