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### **The Parole Review Committee seeks two new members**

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The Parole Review Committee (PRC) is seeking two dedicated people to join its ranks. This is an exciting opportunity for those interested in contributing to the justice system and making a difference in our community.

The PRC is the independent body that protects the public by reviewing applications for early release and deciding whether prisoners can be safely released into the community, with conditions. The PRC is committed to maintaining public safety while supporting the rehabilitation and resettlement of offenders.

Members are required to read and consider complex information produced by relevant and experienced professionals before making decisions in a structured way. The Committee's decisions are made in small teams, and members are appointed for the qualities and experience they can bring to the role from their own lives.

The Chairman of the Parole Review Committee, Phil Taylor, said:

“The Committee plays a vital role in the administration of justice and we are hoping to attract people who can demonstrate good listening skills, who can speak confidently and explain their decision making and reasons reflecting on the evidence. They must be prepared to be challenged on their views and be flexible in their approach – no two cases are similar. Making these kinds of decisions is not easy, but it is challenging, intellectually stimulating and fulfilling.”

Applicants must have proven analytic and decision-making skills and have the ability to work as a team by participating in committee meetings and discussions. They must be able to demonstrate that they can effectively draw out relevant information and make evidence-based decisions.

Knowledge of criminal justice systems or, experience of conducting risk assessments is desirable. Previous experience in law, social work, psychology, or another related field would be an asset but is not essential. Training will be provided.

If you are interested in spending a few days a month undertaking this unique and important voluntary role you are encouraged to apply by sending your CV and a covering letter to the Chairman of the Parole Review Committee, c/o Sir Charles Frossard House, La Charroterie, St Peter Port, GY1 1FH, or email to [parole@gov.gg](mailto:parole@gov.gg)

The closing date is the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Any shortlisted applicants will be required to have an Enhanced DBS Certificate prior to appointment.

Members of the PRC cannot be members of the States of Deliberation, the States of Alderney or Sark Chief Pleas or be currently employed within criminal justice services and must be available to attend meetings in person in Guernsey.

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