**Global Leadership Exchange Lived Experience Council**

**Member Role Description**

The Global Leadership Exchange (GLE) Lived Experience Council (LEC) has been established to guide the organization and its activities in an advisory capacity. It will support, inform, advise and actively contribute to the GLE commitment of inclusion and diversity within its range of activities.

LEC members will represent mental health, disability and substance use.

The term of the member role is for two years, with possible renewal for one further term of two years.

The time commitment is approximately 50 hours for 2024 including meeting preparations/pre-reading. In 2025 there will be 16 hours of virtual meetings (including meeting preparations/pre-reading) and potentially one 2–3 day face to face meeting.

**The role of LE Council Members**

**Active commitment to the LEC**

* + Contribute to the formation of the LEC’s purpose, values and identity as an independent group with connections to GLE.
	+ Agree and contribute to a workplan for the LEC to inform its own development and Global Leaderships Exchange’s strategic planning and development, together with other LEC members and a GLE staff member
	+ Work collaboratively with other LEC members to represent the views of groups with intersectoral and / or lived experience of mental health, disability or substance use.
	+ Support shaping a wide range of Global Leadership Exchange’s activities through recommendations and advice.

**Individual Member’s Contribution to the LEC**

* + Insights and advice based on lived experience of mental health, disability or substance use.
	+ Constructive comments and feedback to contribute to the LEC meetings, objectives and workplan.
	+ Expertise in other areas relevant to the work of mental health, disability or substance use is also welcome.

**Attributes**

**Values and Behaviours**

* + Diversity of experiences, views and opinions is welcome and seen as a strength.
	+ Everyone has an equal opportunity to participate and to be heard.
	+ A collaborative approach to working together is key to achieve positive outcomes.
	+ Everyone is accountable for their behaviours, is respectful of others and courteously talks through disagreements.
	+ It is always OK to ask for support and help.

**Skills and knowledge**

* + Time management skills: being reliable and organized when completing agreed tasks and being open to reaching out for further support from the Chair or GLE staff, if needed.
	+ Computer skills: being able to access emails on a regular basis, to share and review documents online, and to participate in online meetings when needed.
	+ Communication skills: being able to share and clearly articulate views, and to apply effective listening skills when working with others.
	+ Teamwork skills: being able to work together in a group setting even when there may be disagreements with views expressed by other team members, maintaining a willingness to positively contribute to group discussions.
	+ An understanding of corporate governance or a willingness to learn through training offered by Global Leadership Exchange.

**Other Activities**

LEC members may select to attend and contribute to either one of the GLE Collaboratives, Global Leadership Advisor Boards (GLAGs) or the GLE Board.

From time to time, LEC members may be asked to respond to requests via the LEC Chair, and provide input, advice, documentation review for example.

The Chair will contribute to GLE annual reports and may request some information from LEC members.

There may/will be one annual face to face GLE meeting in an international venue to be attended.

**How GLE will support LEC**

Administrative support is provided to the LEC and dedicated support to the Chair.

In its commitment to supporting leaders and emerging leaders’ development, GLE is open to discussing what this might look like for an individual or LEC group basis.