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Providing a pathway for aspiring governance professionals

Christchurch City Holdings Limited (CCHL), the investment arm of the Christchurch City Council, has officially launched the 2022 intake of the CCHL Associate Director Programme. A governance development programme that provides the opportunity for participants to further enhance their skills and capability and contribute to their journey to becoming a governance professional.

The CCHL Associate Director Programme offers new and emerging directors and senior executives the opportunity to accelerate their boardroom experience with participants assigned as an Associate Director, for an 18-month duration, on a board in the CCHL Group of Companies and its related entities.

CCHL Board Chair Jeremy Smith is pleased to see the CCHL Group of Companies continue to embrace the Associate Director Programme, building on its success of previous years, and contributing to enhancing skills and talent in the region.

“At its heart, the programme is about knowledge-sharing and interconnectedness. This is exemplified by the strong foundational knowledge that programme participants gain, while also having the opportunity to observe and participate on a high-functioning commercial board. It is a highly immersive experience, which includes valuable mentoring from experienced directors and chairs”, said Mr Smith.

The programme has been specifically developed for emerging directors. Participants require current experience as a Chief Executive or General Manager reporting to, or interacting with, a commercial board of directors. Or alternatively, high performing functional or technical specialists.

CCHL recognises the importance of fostering more diverse and inclusive workplaces and believes the programme provides participating Group boards with the opportunity to expand their view of diversity by broadening the range of professional backgrounds around the boardroom table.

“Programme participants come from a range of backgrounds and bring with them a wealth of knowledge and experience, and importantly, new ideas and perspectives which contributes greatly to making our boards function more effectively. With the ever-increasing nature of the complexities we are facing in business, high-performing boards recognise the value of divergent perspectives and building a dynamic and collaborative environment where diverse opinions are supported”, added Mr Smith.

Applications for the 2022 Associate Director Programme open 13 June 2022, and close 8 July 2022.

For more information on the programme and the application process, visit <https://www.cchl.co.nz/associate-director-programme>

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Any further media enquiry should be directed to info@cchl.co.nz



About CCHL:

Christchurch City Holdings Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Christchurch City Council, formed for the purpose of holding investments in subsidiary organisations. It is the majority shareholder of Orion Group, Christchurch International Airport Limited, Lyttelton Port Company Limited, Enable Services Limited, RBL Property Limited, Citycare Limited, Eco Central Limited and Development Christchurch Limited. CCHL's related entities include Venues Ōtautahi, ChristchurchNZ, and Transwaste Canterbury.