



Appointment of a Lieutenant-Governor for The Crown Dependency of Guernsey (which includes Alderney and Sark)

JOB SPECIFICATION

The islands of Guernsey, Alderney and Sark (the Bailiwick of Guernsey) together form a self-governing dependency of The Crown. Her Majesty's Government is responsible for their defence and international relations and The Crown has ultimate responsibility for their good government.

The office of Lieutenant-Governor will become vacant on the retirement of the incumbent His Excellency Vice Admiral Sir Ian Corder KBE, CB.

FORMAL JOB TITLE

Applications are sought for the office of Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Island of Guernsey and its Dependencies.

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The successful candidate will

- be Her Majesty The Queen's personal representative and impartial adviser
- represent Her Majesty The Queen on ceremonial occasions
- host Royal, ambassadorial and VIP visits and occasions in conjunction with the Islands' authorities
- act as a point of contact between the Islands' authorities and the U.K. Government
- play a full and active part in the social and charitable affairs of the Bailiwick and promote community activity
- carry out certain executive functions as set out more fully in a subsidiary document entitled "Lieutenant-Governor's Executive Responsibilities in Guernsey, Alderney and Sark"

- transmit recommendations for certain Crown appointments to the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice from the Insular and Church authorities, as appropriate
- offer advice and support to the Island authorities in dealing with civil emergencies
- make recommendations, in consultation with the relevant Island authorities, for official Honours and Awards
- work with the Islands' authorities to help promote their respective interests and profiles

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Candidates for the post must have

- a distinguished military service background at a high level.

KEY CRITERIA

The successful candidate should:

- be capable of being a discreet and lucid communicator with and between the Islands' authorities and the U.K. Government
- have the ability to play a leading apolitical role in community life in the Bailiwick and be comfortable in doing so
- be diplomatic and tactful in the discharge of the duties of office and able to pay close attention to local political and societal sensitivities and protocols
- have the ability to adapt rapidly to a new setting and to react quickly to changing situations whilst at the same time respecting local customs
- be open-minded and sensitive to different ethnic and cultural backgrounds

THE POST

The appointment is made by Her Majesty The Queen by Warrant on the recommendation of the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice. The term of office is five years. A salary is paid which is currently tax free. An entertainments allowance is also paid, in addition to the general budget provided for the running of Government House.

The commencement date for the term of office will be agreed with the successful applicant, but the assumption is that it will be in the latter part of 2021 or in January 2022.

Applicants will be requested to indicate their availability for that timing.

NATIONALITY

Candidates need to fulfil one of the following nationality requirements, and must complete a declaration to that effect on the application form.

They must:

- be a citizen of the United Kingdom, or
- be a citizen of Ireland, or
- be a citizen of a Commonwealth country, or
- hold dual nationality, one of which falls in one of the above categories.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Guernsey is committed to appointment on merit by fair and open processes and with regard to the principle of equality of opportunity.

APPLICATION PACK

For an application pack please contact:

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CLOSING DATE

The closing date for applications is Friday 21st May 2021.

INTERVIEWS

Interviews will take place in England or Guernsey or, if needs be, using technology on the 15th and/or 16th June 2021.