

Board Member: Technology & Digital Governance

Volunteer Non-Executive Board Role
Learn Without Limits CIC – Wales

About Learn Without Limits CIC

Learn Without Limits CIC is a Wales-based, parent-led organisation developing practical navigation support for families of children and young people with Additional Learning Needs (ALN) and related system barriers.

Our work combines parent insight, safeguarding-aware information, public policy interpretation, events and workshops, digital resources, and our emerging Prevent → Bridge → Progress model.

Over the past year, our public-facing work has expanded significantly through a growing specialist blog and knowledge base, quarterly open-call briefings, parent and stakeholder engagement, and the ongoing development of preventative navigation infrastructure designed around real user journeys.

We have a growing public evidence base and a clear strategic direction. This role helps ensure the technical layer develops with the same discipline.

We are now seeking a board-level volunteer with experience in technology, digital governance, accessibility, systems architecture or technical leadership to help provide strategic oversight as the programme moves into its next phase of development.

Why This Role Matters

Families navigating ALN, EOTAS, home education, safeguarding, attendance and transition systems often move through fragmented pathways involving multiple agencies and services.

Learn Without Limits CIC is developing preventative navigation infrastructure intended to help families understand what support may exist, how systems connect, where escalation risks emerge and what safer next steps may look like.

As this work develops, technical decisions increasingly become governance decisions.

We are looking for someone who can provide board-level technical challenge and assurance as Learn Without Limits CIC moves from public information and early digital resources towards safer, governed navigation infrastructure.

This role will help the board: ask the right questions; identify risks early; challenge unrealistic assumptions; support sustainable technical planning; and ensure future digital infrastructure remains accessible, proportionate, safeguarding-aware and maintainable. We are particularly interested in people who understand that prevention infrastructure is still infrastructure.

Good intentions alone are not enough in digital delivery. Public-interest technology requires clear architecture, realistic delivery discipline, accessible design, safe data boundaries, strong governance and long-term continuity planning.

What the Role Involves

The Technology & Digital Governance Board Member would contribute board-level scrutiny, strategic advice and governance oversight in areas such as: digital governance and technical risk; accessibility and inclusive design; safeguarding-sensitive information handling; data protection and governance boundaries; platform sustainability and technical debt prevention; app, website and future product architecture; documentation, continuity and handover standards; procurement or commissioning of technical support; oversight of student projects, contractors or technical collaborators; architecture choices and scaling risks; and future recruitment or supervision of a paid technical lead. The role would also help ensure that technical development remains realistic, maintainable and ethically governed as the organisation grows.

What This Role Is Not

This is **not** an unpaid full-time developer role.

We are not asking one person to build or maintain an entire platform in volunteer time.

The purpose of this role is to help Learn Without Limits CIC: make sound technical decisions; avoid avoidable technical debt; reduce governance and continuity risks; identify problems before they become expensive; and support sustainable long-term development. We are not looking for someone who simply says “yes” to every idea. We are looking for someone who can provide constructive challenge, ask difficult questions when needed and help translate ambition into realistic delivery.

Who This Role May Suit

This role may suit someone with experience in one or more of the following areas: software development; systems architecture; product management; UX or service design; accessibility and WCAG standards; data protection or information governance; civic tech or digital transformation; public-sector, charity or social-impact technology; technical programme leadership; previous experience in a technical leadership, digital delivery, product, architecture or technology governance role; familiarity with PRINCE2 Agile, ITIL, MSP or similar delivery, service-management or programme-governance frameworks. Direct experience of ALN is not essential. However, lived experience of disability, neurodivergence, caring, education or public systems would be welcomed.

Most importantly, we are looking for someone who can think strategically, communicate clearly, values accessibility and safeguarding, understands collaborative working, is comfortable providing constructive challenge and is interested in helping shape ethical, prevention-focused digital infrastructure in Wales.

Time Commitment

Approximate commitment: 4–8 hours per month; quarterly board or strategy meetings; occasional advisory input between meetings where needed. Most meetings are remote.

What We Offer

This is an opportunity to help shape a growing Wales-based public-interest programme at an important stage of development.

You would help strengthen the governance of an emerging prevention and navigation model, support ethical digital development and contribute towards infrastructure designed around real family journeys rather than abstract assumptions.

This is also an opportunity to help shape early-stage civic infrastructure before key technical decisions are locked in.

Interested?

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