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REQUIREMENTS	EXAMPLES
Specific Interests	Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they:Use public rights of way: footpaths, bridleways, restricted byways and byways open to all traffic, preferably within Wigan.Have an interest in land affected by rights of way and / or open access within Wigan.Participate in open air recreation.Aware of land management issues, environment & conservation.Keen to promote sustainable travel. Keen to promote the Borough.Other interests.
Skills/Achievements	It is desirable that Applicants possess/have: Involvement in consultation opportunities. Participated in public inquiries, attended meetings, site visits to advise officers, developers. Good communications skills. An ability to work constructively in partnership. An ability to listen to competing interests and work for the benefit of the Forum as a whole.
Knowledge	It is desirable for Applicants to have: Awareness of local authority operations; strategic matters and policy, planning process. Knowledge of rights of way, land management issues sustainable transport, issues specifically within Wigan. Knowledge of key issues relevant to access and the interaction between land use and management issues. Understanding of the economic value and health benefits of recreation, land management, conservation, transport and other interests.
Experience	All Applicants should have experience in: Dealing with and discussing strategic issues Working in partnership Working to achieve the best result for a group in line with the agreed aims, despite personal interests
Personal Competencies	All applicants should possess: Confidence, diplomacy and an ability for team working A willingness to commit the necessary time to the Forum.