

To Prospective Applicants

8 October 2020

Dear Applicant

Our current Chief Executive, Ken Muir, who has led GTCS over the last seven years with great professionalism and distinction, plans to retire in March 2021 and we are now seeking to appoint another outstanding leader to take forward the ambitions of GTC Scotland.

Established in 1965, the General Teaching Council for Scotland is the oldest Teaching Council in the world and it has laid down the template followed by many countries for professional regulatory teaching bodies. In 2012, GTC Scotland became the world's first fully independent, self-regulating Teaching Council and more recently it resisted efforts to be replaced by a new body called an Education Workforce Council. The decision to retain GTC Scotland was a reflection of the high regard in which the organisation is held not only in Scotland but also worldwide.

In aspiring to be "world class", GTC Scotland has undergone significant modernisation in recent years and this transformational change needs to continue if we are to support the changing needs of Scottish Education. Going forward, GTC Scotland's Council has set ambitious priorities aimed at retaining public trust and maintaining the highest standards for the teaching profession in Scotland. In addition, we will keep using our influential and independent voice to benefit all aspects of Scottish Education.

If you think you have what we need to lead GTCS, to build on its "world class" reputation and to take forward its ambitions, I would be keen to hear from you.

Yours sincerely



David Innes
Convener of Council