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Dear Old Caterhamians

I am delighted to be launching the Shadow Board for Caterham School and invite all Old Caterhamians under the age of 30 to consider making an application.

We are creating a Shadow Board of between 8-10 young Old Cats to help challenge, inform and advise on the decision-making of the main Board of Trustees on a range of topics including strategy and activity, bringing to bear fresh, diverse perspectives on what is in the best interests of the School.

This is hugely exciting initiative. The school is stronger than ever, in greater demand than ever and is at the cutting edge of educational discussion in the UK. There are huge opportunities and possibilities for the school in the years ahead and we recognise that utilising the skills and experiences of a younger generation of people will help the school and the Trustees make more informed decisions, and ensure that the educational experiences of pupils at Caterham continues to be outstanding.

Not only will you have a chance to be part of the next phase of the development of the school, you will also receive continuous professional development opportunities on corporate governance, organisational decision-making and leadership experience. This is a fantastic opportunity for all of you.

Applicants should make a short video, of no more than three minutes, which includes the following information:

- Who you are
- What you do
- Why you want to be a member of the Shadow Board
- What skills and/or experience you would bring to the role

This should be sent via email to [shadowboardapp@caterhamschool.co.uk](mailto:shadowboardapp@caterhamschool.co.uk) and in the text of the email please state your name and the year you left Caterham School.

The OCA will be helping the Board drawing up a longlist of candidates and there will be a formal interview process for those who are short listed. The deadline for applications is January 22, 2021. More information is available on the School and OCA website, or by emailing the above email address.

I look forward to the formation of a new Shadow Board by March 2021 and to working more closely with talented young OCs for the mutual benefit of the school.

Yours sincerely

Ian Edwards  
Chair of Trustees