



Board Trustee Job Description

Overview

We're a successful charity seeking a local individual to join our board of trustees. Edmonton Community Partnership represents a network of 18 schools in Edmonton, North London. Since 2011 we have provided a wide range of projects to support members of the local community.

This is an exciting opportunity to join a team of local leaders shaping the future of our organisation. Edmonton Community Partnership has experienced fantastic growth over the last two years and are always seeking new ways to create even greater impact within our community. Serving on Edmonton Community Partnership's board of trustees will provide real satisfaction as together we will raise aspirations and create new opportunities in our community.

The Charity

The Edmonton Community Partnership (ECP) began in 2011 when a group of local schools came together to address some of the issues facing our shared communities. Today we represent a network of 18 schools in the area, running many local projects designed to address the complex needs that exist within Edmonton, providing support for our schools and the local community.

We have run a wide range of projects during the last decade, from language lessons for adults to cooking classes for kids. Whether it is counselling for vulnerable children or a live performance from our school's most promising young creatives, our initiatives are about helping people unleash their full potential.

Our projects and initiatives bring people together and give them the tools they need to thrive. We have strong links with local partner organisations (Enfield Council, Police, NHS North Central London Integrated Care Board and many other community and voluntary groups) and are always looking for new ways to make a difference to the lives of local people.

ECP's past successes have built a relationship of trust and respect with local youth, local authority and local organisations alike, placing us in an excellent position to continue our commitment to help improve the life chances of all communities in Edmonton.

Board Responsibilities

The Board of Trustees is jointly responsible for the overall governance and strategic direction of the charity. This includes its financial health, the probity of its activities and developing the organisation's aims, objectives and goals in accordance with our governing document, and legal and regulatory guidelines.

The Trustee appointment is a voluntary role with an initial appointment of two years. The board meets at least three times a year – in October, March & July. This role will constitute a commitment of approximately 20 hours a quarter.

We are looking for new Trustee's

We are specifically seeking professionals and/or members of the local community of Edmonton (Enfield) committed to the success of our charity who have expertise from a legal, marketing, business strategy and fundraising background with a preference for work in the voluntary and community sector. We are particularly keen to hear from candidates from equalities groups and people of colour, with lived experience or a strong connection with social justice, race, human rights and community cohesion, but all applications with additional expertise are welcome. Our board is committed to developing our trustees, so we also welcome applications from those who have not previously served on a board.

Process

Individuals interested in applying to join the Board of Trustees of Edmonton Community Partnership should submit a copy of their CV and a covering letter explaining their interest in the role to Antoinette Goldwater, Chair of Trustees, at antoinette@fleecefield.enfield.sch.uk .

For further information about the role, potential candidates may contact the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Trevor Blackman at trevor@edmontoncommunitypartnership.org .

Skills Required

Edmonton Community Partnership is an accomplished charity working with multiple organisations across Enfield. Members of our board are upstanding professionals embedded within in our community. Our newest trustee's must have an understanding of the challenges facing families in Edmonton, ideally through their own lived experience.

Duties

- Support and provide advice on ECP purpose, vision, goals and activities.
- Approve operational strategies and policies, and monitor and evaluate their implementation.
- Oversee ECP financial plans and budgets and monitor and evaluate progress.
- Ensure that key risks are being identified, monitored and controlled effectively.
- Provide support and challenge to ECP's CEO in the exercise of their delegated authority and affairs.

Personal skills and qualities

- Accomplished career involving business leadership and significant decision-making skills.
- A resident of Enfield or member of our community and a passion for helping change the circumstances of those in need.
- Willingness and ability to understand and accept their responsibilities and liabilities as trustees and to act in the best interests of the organisation.
- Ability to think creatively and strategically, exercise good, independent judgement and work effectively as a board member.
- Effective communication skills and willingness to participate actively in discussion.
- A strong personal commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion.
- Enthusiasm for our vision and mission.