

Volunteer Trustee – young person

Organisation: [Generations Working Together](#) (GWT)

Status: Board of Trustees

Closing Date: ongoing

Location: Throughout Scotland

Website: www.generationsworkingtogether.org



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‘Young trustees challenge the status quo, bring new perspectives and can increase diversity bringing digital skills’

The average age of a trustee is recognised as 61 years of age however 85% of people under 35 are interested in becoming a trustee, yet only <2.1% of trustees are under 30. (www.trustee.scot)

Role:

GWT is looking for a young person to join the board of volunteer trustees who has some experience of working in the voluntary, public or private sector who want to become actively involved.

Our Trustees are responsible and accountable for the overall strategic leadership and direction of the organisation and will share our vision and passion about promoting strong, generationally connected communities.

This volunteer will bring a young person’s perspective to the board and the work of GWT, have strong communication skills, a range of expertise and experiences plus understanding and enthusiasm to contribute.

To support the successful applicant the board will ensure the young person is mentored by one of our experienced trustees. The chair will also ensure that board meetings involve active questioning and listening given to all trustees.

Trustees are appointed for a term of 3 years and are eligible to serve a further 3-year term, after which they must retire from the board.

Board meetings are held four or five times a year (normally in Glasgow). As a small charity it is expected that Board members will take on additional responsibilities between meetings consistent with the objectives of GWT. This may include membership of Task and Finish Groups, Standing Committees or specific tasks consistent with their areas of expertise.

Organisation profile:

GWT has developed out of one of the six core actions from the [2007 Strategy for an Ageing Population](#). Its vision is for a Scotland where people of all ages value, respect and support each other. It is based on a network of regional groups that covers the whole of Scotland and for a small organisation has had a significant impact to date.

GWT has mainly been funded by the Scottish Government however GWT achieved charity status as a SCIO on the 29th July 2015 to allow additional funding streams to be secured.

Application notes:

To apply please email a covering letter stating why you are interested in joining the board of GWT along with your CV to Alison@generationsworkingtogether.org

Please note GWT is happy to set up video conferencing for board meetings to allow Trustees to link into the meetings from rural locations throughout Scotland.

To discuss the trustee role further please contact George Kay, Chair
Email: cllrgeo@outlook.com or Alison Clyde, Chief Executive Officer

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You Tube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/GenerationsWT>

Quotes from www.trustee.scot

“Being appointed as a Trustee of Young Scot, I have gained a great depth of knowledge and skills... in particular professionalism and integrity which I have taken forward in the early stages of my career.”

Abbie Wilson, Trustee at Young Scot

“A board that does not reflect the diversity of the people it hopes to represent, or support will struggle to find effective solutions. Young trustees offer much more than enthusiasm – they bring with them a lifetime of skills, experience and understanding that is likely to be lacking around the decision-making table”

Lisa Clark, Trustee at Zero Tolerance Scotland