

# Volunteer Trustee & Treasurer



**Generations  
Working  
Together**

**Organisation:** Generations Working Together (GWT)

**Status:** Board of Trustees

**Closing Date:** 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Location:** Throughout Scotland

## **General Role:**

Generations Working Together is looking to recruit two enthusiastic, committed, dependable and proactive volunteer trustees to replace two members of our board who are retiring at our next Conference/AGM on 4th March 2020.

We are looking for a new treasurer and a trustee who have experience of working in the voluntary, public or private sector who want to become actively involved in progressing intergenerational work across Scotland.

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

In particular, we are seeking trustees with a strong background /expert skills and experience in one or more of the following areas:

- **Sponsorship/fundraising from trust funds and other similar agencies**
- **Charity or work experience in accounting including end of year reports**
- **Education (early years/primary/secondary and further)**
- **Health and /or social care**
- **Housing/architecture with an interest in intergenerational housing**
- **Communications and marketing background**
- **Intergenerational work**

Please note there is a separate role description for the treasurer post which can be found on the GWT website.

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.

**Commitment** includes attending board meetings which are normally held in Glasgow four times a year. On top, we ask Trustees to attend our annual conference (if possible) and AGM and one development session each year to look at the business plan. 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.

We use a Zoom video conferencing system which Trustees can use to call into the meetings if they cannot attend in person. Much of the subgroup work is done via email and video conferencing.

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**Website:** [www.generationsworkingtogether.org](http://www.generationsworkingtogether.org)

**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 29<sup>th</sup> July 2015 to allow additional funding streams to be secured.

A short film narrated by our retired chair Alan Hatton-Yeo MBE can be viewed on our [website here](#) detailing our history and the background of intergenerational work and its growth in the UK.

Details of our conference planned for Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March can be [found here](#) and our [AGM here](#).

**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](mailto:Alison@generationsworkingtogether.org)

**To discuss the trustee role further please contact George Kay, Chair**

Email: [cllrgeo@outlook.com](mailto:cllrgeo@outlook.com)

**For more information or to have arrange an informal conversation about GWT or intergenerational work** please contact Alison Clyde, Chief Executive Officer on 07769629988 or by email.

**What is it like to be a volunteer Trustee?**

*“Volunteering with GWT this past year has let me see the value of intergenerational practice in many arenas of life. It has given me greater insight into the passionate practice out there and also the resource and specialism required to support it to be done in ever more meaningful and measurable ways. I have loved the opportunity so far of being part of a Board with such great diversity of age and experience.”*  
(Trustee)

*“My experience volunteering as a Trustee for GWT over the past two plus years has been both rewarding personally and beneficial professionally. Exposure to the Governance and Compliance aspects of Trusteeship has been useful supporting my role as a senior manager within a private sector business, while the opportunity to present to workshops and conferences has been invaluable experience of public speaking. Additionally, working alongside the other Trustees and GWT staff who have a wealth of diverse and in-depth experience has been extremely useful from a professional development perspective. From a personal perspective, being able to give my time to support a cause which is increasingly important to society overall and impacts on the lives of everyone I know is rewarding and well worth the investment in time.”* (Trustee)

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