

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A CHARITY TRUSTEE

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Why did you decide to join a charity board?

To gain valuable experience on a functional board and to add my overall experience to the organisation in every which way I can.

What are your typical tasks and duties on the board?

Attend board meetings and the health & safety sub-committee meetings relating to the operation of Local Link. I sign off on regular finance payments. I have also interviewed applicants for recruitment of new employees for the Charity.

What has challenged you in your trustee role?

Initially understanding the complexes of being part of a board and working through the challenges the Charity faces on a regular basis.

What has been the biggest reward or benefit in becoming a trustee?

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What would you say to someone thinking about joining a charity board?

It's a great experience and an insight into the way in which a board functions. This experience will improve your communication and problem solving skills.