Network of Wellbeing Trustees

Role description

Duration: Trustees are expected to attend three Board meetings per year and to undertake occasional additional tasks. They normally serve for at least three years.
Salary: Trustees are unpaid, but we will pay reasonable expenses.
Location: preferably in the South West of England.
Deadline for applications: 30th September 2018 (though we will review applications on a rolling basis).
Start by: October 2018 (though this can be flexible for the right candidate).
To apply: Email CV and covering letter to roger@networkofwellbeing.org.

The Network of Wellbeing (NOW) is looking to appoint two new Trustees.

Trustees are responsible in law for ensuring that NOW’s activities deliver its charitable objects. They have a duty to ensure that NOW complies with charitable and other law and the requirements of the Charity Commission and that its resources are used prudently and with care.

In particular, they have responsibility to:
• ensure that NOW is governed to the highest possible standard;
• determine NOW’s organisational strategy, in pursuit of its charitable objectives;
• approve NOW’s budget and ensure the proper use of its funds and property;
• safeguard NOW’s reputation;
• appoint, support and hold to account NOW’s Director.

Person Specification

The Network of Wellbeing is looking for Trustees who:
• have an interest in wellbeing and are committed to our vision and mission;
• have a good understanding of their legal duties, liabilities and responsibilities;
• are good team workers;
• have experience of developing and putting into effect organisational strategies;
• are able to work together to support and hold the Director to account;
• have excellent communication skills including an ability to act as ambassadors for the Network;
• are able and willing to devote the necessary time to the role.

Trustees will also be expected to bring specialist knowledge and skills in one of the following areas:
• fundraising
• communications
• monitoring and evaluation
• wellbeing

Further Information about The Network of Wellbeing

The Network of Wellbeing exists to advance education, research and practice by charitable means for the benefit of the public in the fields of health, wellbeing and the environment. It was formed in 2013.
The Network of Wellbeing is currently governed through a Board of five Trustees:

- John Elford
- Nigel Woodward
- Jane Acton (Chair)
- Satish Kumar
- Margaret Woodward

Trustees serve for three years and may be reappointed.

The Network currently employs:

- Roger Higman (Director)
- Florence Scialom (Communications Manager)
- Larch Maxey (Community Projects Manager)
- Joshua Malkin (Partnerships Coordinator) and
- Mirella Ferraz (Totnes Manager)
- Kate Reed (Manager - Eden Rise)
- Mark Jefferys (Manager - Share Shed)

The Network of Wellbeing’s vision is of a world where everyone’s wellbeing needs are met within the planet’s natural limits. We believe that our wellbeing depends on what we do, the people around us and the natural world on which we depend.

We are currently working to a Strategy, agreed in 2015, which aims to:

- **build a network of people and organisations who are committed to wellbeing.**
  We engage people through our new website (www.networkofwellbeing.org) and social media and now have over 1700 subscribers to our newsletter, 9000 followers on Twitter and almost 3000 on Facebook. We bring them together through regular webinars and face-to-face events, such as our **Building Wellbeing Together** weekend in September 2017 which attracted over 80 people. We have recently been gifted Eden Rise, a wellbeing haven about three miles to the west of Totnes.

- **co-create and promote activities that enable people to improve their wellbeing.**
  In Totnes, we support monthly Community Potluck suppers, give out small grants through the Totnes Wellbeing Fund and have set up the Share Shed – a library of things that has almost 200 members. Elsewhere we support local community wellbeing initiatives.

- **further the wellbeing agenda nationally and internationally.**
  Following Building Wellbeing Together, we have coordinated a loose alliance of wellbeing groups.

We are planning to review our Strategy in late 2018 with a view to developing new, more challenging aims for the next three years.

For further information on the Network of Wellbeing, visit our website [www.networkofwellbeing.org](http://www.networkofwellbeing.org).