

Trustee Vacancy

Are you passionate about enabling those in later life to live independently with dignity and choice?

If so, then why not consider joining our Trustee Board and help us shape Age UK Plymouth's future.

About Age UK Plymouth

Age UK Plymouth is an independent local Charity and a brand partner of the national Age UK charity. We have operated for over 75 years in the City of Plymouth and our mission is to care for and work with older people and their carers to improve their quality of life through the promotion of choice, opportunity and independence.

We do that through a range of services including our:

- Outreach Help at Home and Community Support service
- Outreach Gardening and Handyperson Community Support service
- Day Centre in Plymouth
- Information and Advice service
- Dementia Day Centre in Plymstock
- Gateway to Services project

We are committed to a continual review of our services to ensure that we are meeting the changing needs of those in later life. We value creative thinking and want our services to be responsive to those changing needs. This is even more important given the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic.

With experienced and dedicated Trustees, an exceptionally committed team and immensely supportive volunteers, Age UK Plymouth is well placed to meet the challenges ahead. We are now looking for new Trustees to join us to help shape our future. The Board of Trustees work with Age UK Plymouth's Chief Executive Officer to agree the strategic vision and mission and guide the Charity towards achieving its goals.

What will you be doing?

Age UK Plymouth operates in a challenging environment. As with all charities working in adult social care, budgets have been tightened and we need to ensure that we continue to deliver high quality services in difficult times. It is an exciting time for the charity as we look to open a short-term care centre on the top two floors of our William and Patricia Venton Centre.

As a Trustee you will work in partnership with your fellow Trustees and the Chief Executive Officer to agree the long-term vision and strategic objectives of the charity which will include how best to enhance our services and make best use of our assets and investments. Your role as Trustee is also to ensure that the Charity complies with the necessary charitable and company governance frameworks.

You will attend Board meetings and may be encouraged to join either the Finance and Investment Committee or the Services, Quality and Safety Committee. You will need to be able to devote sufficient time to prepare for and attend the Board meetings which take place between 6-8 times a year. Meetings tend to commence at 4.30pm.

Who are we looking for?

We are looking for Trustees who have a strong empathy with Age UK Plymouth's mission and values, are collegiate in approach and are comfortable working with others to develop a strategy that will deliver positive change and ultimately will make Plymouth a great place for later life.

We welcome applicants from any background and are committed to developing a diverse board of Trustees.

Whilst we are particularly interested in applications from those with a background from the list below, we would also welcome applicants who can add real value to Age UK Plymouth:

- Marketing
- Fundraising
- Legal
- Digital

This is a voluntary post (as with all Trustees) but all reasonable expenses will be reimbursed.

Benefits of being a Trustee

Being an effective Trustee is a challenging, rewarding, and fulfilling experience. You will have the opportunity to make a real difference to those in later life. You may also gain new skills, obtain board experience and expand your network. You will have potential development opportunities and the chance to attend regional and national events.

This post is subject to an enhanced Disclosure Barring Service check.

Interested persons are invited to ring (01752) 256020 to discuss the position with the Chair of the Board and/or the Chief Executive Officer. We would also be pleased to arrange visits to the Charity.

For an application pack, please call (01752) 256020

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or have a look at our website www.ageukplymouth.org.uk