

# Trustees – Wallsend Children's Community

Are you passionate about helping children reach their potential? Join us as we move from inside Save the Children UK to a new partnership; providing mutual benefit for their new strategic phase, and enhancing our maturity as an independent charity.

# What will you be doing?

As a Trustee you will play a critical role in ensuring the success and sustainability of our organisation by providing leadership, oversight and support.

We seek dedicated individuals to join our Board of Trustees and support our ambitious vision and this really exciting time in our evolution. We particularly welcome candidates with experience in:

- Fundraising
- Marketing and Comms and or Public Affairs
- Governance
- Finance
- Background of Community Development
- Background of working with Children and Young People or Families
- Live and raising children in Wallsend or surrounding area

Your skills and qualities of compassion, determination, and empathy are also important, as well as your belief that a village can and should bring up its children.

### What are we looking for?

We are searching for people willing to bring energy, enthusiasm, and commitment to the role, and who will broaden the diversity of thinking on our board, as well as adding new skills, knowledge, and competencies. We are a small group, able to welcome several new additions. We are particularly interested in people bringing experience in **finance**, **marketing**, **fundraising**, **governance**, **or those with experiencing of raising children in Wallsend or have experience in community development**, **or working with children**, **young people and families**.

#### Personal skills and qualities

- Willingness and ability to understand and accept their responsibilities and liabilities as trustees and to act in the best interests of the organisation
- Ability to think creatively and strategically, exercise good, independent judgement and work effectively as a board member
- Effective communication skills and willingness to participate actively in discussion
- A strong personal commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion
- Enthusiasm for our vision and mission
- Willingness to lead according to our values
- Commitment to Nolan's seven principles of public life: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership

### What difference will you make?

Since 2016, incubated by Save the Children UK, Wallsend Children's Community (WCC) have been working to empower every child, young person, and family in Wallsend to fulfil their potential.

At the core of our mission is systems change. This means that we collaborate with communities and partners to reshape services, structures, policies, relationships, and mindsets. By working together, we enable all children to become the very best versions of themselves.

Through our partnership with Save the Children, we work with our communities to ensure their voice shapes national policy through advocacy and campaigns. Regionally we work with a range of partners offering voice, participation and insight to shape regional policy and practice.

As a newly registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation, we are inviting you to join our Board of Trustees, as we move from being part of Save the Children UK to a new relationship working in partnership; providing mutual benefit as the blueprint for their new strategic phase and enhancing our maturity as an independent charity.

Your contribution at this time will support us to build upon the years of work to date and ensure the long-term viability that, over a generation, we will improve outcomes for children growing up in Wallsend.

### Where:

Wallsend, NE28 8JR Mainly at the office, or at home.

### Commitment:

Your time and expertise will help shape the future of WCC and support our mission to create lasting change. Currently, as a fledgling organisation, our board meets monthly alternating 1

hour online month 1 and 2 hours face to face month 2 repeating. It is predicted that this will reduce to up to eight times a year, with meetings held either remotely or in person and one strategy day with an optional day visiting operational activities. This averages up to six hours per month currently. This is a voluntary role with reasonable expenses reimbursed.

# How to Apply:

To download the recruitment pack visit: <a href="http://www.childrenscommunitynetwork.org.uk/our-communities/Wallsend">www.childrenscommunitynetwork.org.uk/our-communities/Wallsend</a>

If you would like to discuss the opportunities further, please contact David Baldwin, Chair of Wallsend Children's Community Board: <a href="mailto:david.baldwin@ntlearningtrust.org.uk">david.baldwin@ntlearningtrust.org.uk</a>.

#### OR

Submit your CV with a covering letter highlighting your suitability and why you wish to join Wallsend Children's Community Board to the CEO at <u>paula.mccormack@ntlp.org.uk</u>.

# Organisation Type: Charity 1210254

Established in 2024, Wallsend Children's Community is an independent charity supporting improved outcomes for children and young people growing up in Wallsend through a systems change approach.

#### What the charity does:

- Education/training
- The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- Disability
- The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- Economic/community Development/employment

#### Who the charity helps:

• Children/young People

#### How the charity helps:

- Makes Grants To Individuals
- Provides Services
- Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body

#### Where the charity operates:

• North Tyneside