

## **ABS Trustee opportunities**

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We are currently looking for volunteers to join our Board of Trustees:

### **1-2 Trustees to join our Board**

Our Trustees currently meet three times a year (online/in person/hybrid) for Board meetings and are there to respond to ad-hoc strategic matters as and when they arise

They are responsible for providing strategic direction and making key decisions which fully reflect our core values and ensure we're delivering on our objectives.

Some of the vital things you'd be doing include:

- Making sure our charity is fulfilling its mission and purposes for the communities we support
- Checking that we are always following the law, as well as our own governing document
- Ensuring our resources are managed effectively
- Using your unique skills and experience to help us meet our objectives
- Seeing that we are accountable in what we set out to do

This is an unpaid role, but we reimburse expenses, for example childcare costs and travel costs so you can attend meetings.

We are committed to having a diverse Board of Trustees, and we encourage applications from those who are currently underrepresented on our Board. Please visit our website for our recruitment packs and more information <https://www.absnet.org.uk/about-us/careers/>

## **ABS Committee Member Opportunities**

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We are currently looking for volunteers to join our Welfare Committee and Development & Engagement Committee.

### **• Committee Members for the Welfare Committee**

Our Welfare Committee meets 4 times a year (online/in person/hybrid)). Their prime responsibility is oversight and review of ABS' Grant Giving Policy, to ensure it is being applied consistently, transparently and efficiently, and advising the Board on the adequacy and effectiveness of its implementation.

We are looking for individuals with strategic knowledge in the following areas:

- Relief and prevention of poverty
- Impact reporting
- Mental health and wellbeing

### **• Committee Members for the Development & Engagement Committee**

Our Development & Engagement Committee meets 3 times a year (online/in person/hybrid). Their prime responsibility is to maintain oversight of ABS' development and engagement activities, to look at creating opportunities and to encourage Board engagement with fundraising, communications and awareness raising activities.

We are looking for individuals with strategic knowledge in the following areas:

- Fundraising and GDPR compliance
- Charity communications and marketing
- Strategy Review

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