



dementia adventure®

## DEMENTIA ADVENTURE TRUSTEE ROLE DESCRIPTION

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- Remuneration:** The role of Trustee is not accompanied by any financial remuneration, although expenses for travel may be claimed.
- Location:** All meetings are digitally accessible. Occasional meetings may be held in Central London, these are also accessible digitally.
- Time commitment:** Up to six meetings each year.

### Job Description

To be a Trustee is an exciting and fulfilling role. The most effective Boards are ones which benefit from individuals from a diverse range of backgrounds, experiences and skill sets. The role of a Trustee is to ensure that Dementia Adventure fulfils its duty to its beneficiaries and delivers on our vision, mission and values.

### Vision

Dementia Adventure has a vision of society in which people live well with dementia, have contact and connection with nature, and enjoy a sense of adventure. A society where people enjoy a full range of activities, have strong relationships with people in their communities and have access to places connected to their interests, passions and dreams.

### Mission

Our mission is to enable people living with dementia to get outdoors, connect with nature, themselves and their community, and retain a sense of adventure in their lives.

### We value:

- **Activities:** Physical, mental or creative activity is fundamentally part of 'living well with dementia'. We aim to develop a solid evidence base for our work, grounded in research.
- **Choices:** Enabling people living with dementia to have real choice and the control to take positive risks in their lives. We support people with dementia to inform and guide our work.

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- **Compassion:** Our emotional bonds with each other and with nature are extremely important to us.
- **Connecting:** With nature, people and places, our interests, passions and dreams. We are working to create a scalable model of our Dementia Adventures for all people living with dementia, so they can access an adventure regardless of how small or large.
- **Equality:** Everyone has something to give and contribute to their communities. We aim to challenge the stigma surrounding dementia by sharing positive, authentic stories and images of people enjoying dementia adventures.

The Board of Trustees are jointly responsible for the overall governance and strategic direction of the charity, its financial health, the probity of its activities and developing the organisation's aims, objectives and goals in accordance with the governing document, legal and regulatory guidelines.

#### **The statutory duties of a trustee are as follows.**

- Ensuring that the organisation pursues its stated objects (purposes), as defined in its governing document, by developing and agreeing a long-term strategy.
- Ensuring that the organisation complies with its governing document, charity law, company law and any other relevant legislation or regulations.
- Ensuring that the organisation applies its resources exclusively in pursuance of its charitable objects for the benefit of the public.
- Ensuring that the organisation defines its goals and evaluates performance against agreed targets.
- Safeguarding the good name and values of the organisation.
- Ensuring the effective and efficient administration of the organisation, including having appropriate policies and procedures in place.
- Ensuring the financial stability of the organisation.
- Protecting and managing the property of the charity and ensuring the proper investment of the charity's funds.
- Following proper and formal arrangements for the appointment, supervision, support, appraisal and remuneration of the chief executive.

In addition to the above statutory duties, each trustee should use any specific skills, knowledge or experience they have to help the board of trustees reach sound decisions. This may involve scrutinising board papers, leading or participating in discussions, focusing on key issues, providing advice and guidance on new initiatives, or other issues in which the trustee has special expertise.

#### **Person Specification**

- A strong empathy towards, and understanding of, our work and ambitions.
- One or more of the following
  - Digital skills to transform our services

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- Campaigning skills to raise awareness of our services
  - Lived experience of dementia or caring for someone with dementia.
- Evidence of networking within your own area of expertise/experience or within the health and social care sector.
- A commitment to promoting equality and diversity.
- Experience of building and sustaining relationships with key stakeholders and colleagues to achieve organisational objectives.
- A willingness to devote the necessary time and effort.
- An understanding and acceptance of the legal duties, responsibilities and liabilities of trusteeship.
- A commitment to Nolan's seven principles of public life: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership.

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