

Trustee Recruitment

We are seeking to recruit volunteer Educational Trustees to join our Board of Trustees.

Hope's Place

Hope's Place works effectively and creatively with young people in secondary and primary schools throughout Bristol and beyond.

Our facilitators run our own single-sex, ten-week courses for groups of up to ten young people who are facing challenges with their mental and emotional wellbeing.

Groups address themes which are prevalent in the lives of the children and young people, such as identity, relationships, self-esteem, body image and decision-making. Over two hundred and fifty young people benefitted from our courses last academic year.

We also run *Aspire* courses which comprises workshops, usually for a whole class, to enable children in their final year of primary to make the move to secondary education feeling well-informed, confident and enthusiastic.

VISION

Young people who have the stability, confidence and humility needed to reach their full potential as individuals and members of society.

MISSION

Through our courses in schools, to address the issues faced by children and young people and to help them develop resilience, overcome challenges and to make positive life choices.

VALUES

We believe:

That no person or situation is without HOPE

That all individuals are equal, unique and valuable and that difference should be celebrated

That everyone is worthy of respect and should respect others

That resilience is key

That healthy and positive relationships are essential

That with greater confidence young people are inspired to take their rightful PLACE in the world/society/community and fulfil their potential

Hope's Place is a registered charity (No: 105139, <https://www.hopesplace.org.uk>) based in Bristol. It is a small charity with four volunteer trustees and three Educational Facilitators. The latter deliver our courses in schools.

Hope's Place is committed to safeguarding, child protection and promoting the wellbeing of all children, young people and members of the Hope's Place community.

What are we looking for?

Skills and experience

- Ideally, a background in education and/or working with young people
- An understanding of the challenges faced by young people
- Enthusiasm and a commitment to helping young people overcome challenges, raise aspirations, make positive life choices and fulfil their potential.

What will you be doing?

Role responsibilities

- Working with fellow trustees toward fulfilling the objectives of the charity
- Attending Trustee meetings, usually six a year
- Attending Education meetings of trustees and facilitators, usually six a year
- Acting as Line Manager to provide support for the two Girls' Group Facilitators
- Contributing to the Education section of the Annual Report
- Contributing to the recruitment process when needed
- Contributing to updating Hope's Place policies when required
- Liaising with other trustees outside formal meetings, usually around ad hoc issues
- Contributing to discussion around the strategy and business plans of the charity

What difference will you make?

By becoming a trustee, you will be aiding our superb facilitators in the vital support they provide for young people often facing extreme challenges which are impacting adversely their wellbeing.

How to apply

If you are interested in learning more about the trustee role, please contact our trustees via email (chair@hopesplace.org.uk).

*"This is the first intervention I've come across that's actually had a lasting impact."
(Deputy Head , Bristol)*

*"I learned the signs of healthy/unhealthy relationships which was really helpful, and I learnt that people are struggling with all different worries and my struggles are valid."
(Young person, Bristol)*

"I have enjoyed it because it motivates me to come to school." (Young person, Bristol)

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