

Join Us as a Trustee at Swarthmore Education Centre!

Are you passionate about education and community impact? Do you want to help shape the future of an organisation that's been at the heart of the Leeds lifelong learning community for over a century?

Then we might be just the place to look.

Swarthmore Education Centre is on the lookout for enthusiastic and committed individuals to join our volunteer board of trustees. This is your chance to make a real difference!

Who Are We?

Swarthmore Education Centre is more than just an educational establishment—we're a vibrant, inclusive learning community. We champion personal growth, creativity, and social connection, especially for those who might have been excluded from traditional educational opportunities. Our doors are open to everyone, and we're proud to play a key role in empowering individuals and enriching our local community.

Why Become a Trustee?

As a trustee you'll play a vital role in steering Swarthmore towards a bright and sustainable future. You'll collaborate with other passionate individuals to set the Centre's strategic direction, ensure good governance, and uphold our values of equality and inclusivity. This is your opportunity to contribute your skills and ideas, while gaining invaluable experience in leadership and non-profit governance.

What Will the Role Entail?

- Working as part of an enthusiastic team to shape Swarthmore's strategy, future direction of travel, and set stretching goals.
- Safeguard our resources and assets ensuring they continue to be used effectively to further our mission.
- Protecting and promoting Swarthmore's reputation and values.
- Supporting and challenging the management team appropriately, so that the whole organisation can deliver optimum results.
- Participating actively in discussions, committees, and working groups to drive our key priorities.
- Embracing training opportunities to grow your own knowledge and skills.

What Are We Looking For?

We're seeking trustees who share our passion for education and community development to ensure we can maintain and grow as a sustainable organisation. Ideal candidates will bring:

- A commitment to our mission and values.
- Knowledge or experience in adult and community learning or the voluntary sector.
- Strategic thinking, creativity, and independent judgment.
- A willingness to devote time and energy to our work.
- The ability to work collaboratively as part of a team.

No Board Experience? No Problem!

We welcome applicants from all backgrounds. Whether you're a seasoned professional or looking for your first trustee role, we'd love to hear from you. What matters most is your dedication and enthusiasm for making a difference.

What's In It for You?

- The chance to contribute to meaningful change in your community.
- The opportunity to develop new skills and broaden your experience.
- The reward of working alongside a passionate and friendly team.

Ready to Make an Impact?

Join us at Swarthmore Education Centre and help us continue to provide life-changing opportunities for people in Leeds and beyond.

For more information or to apply, please contact us at:

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We can't wait to hear from you!