



## **Call for Trusteeship Expressions of Interest**

Beam is an arts organisation based in Wakefield, West Yorkshire, working with artists and communities to enhance places through creative arts projects. Under the Chairmanship of Sharon Gill we are seeking to appoint new Trustees to strengthen the expertise of the board and help deliver our strategic plan.

Applications are invited from individuals who have operated at a senior level within the public, private and voluntary sectors and who can commit to attending approx. 5 board meetings per year (including a summer awayday session), alongside other pieces of strategic work as agreed with the wider board and as required

### **Beam Trustee Role Description**

#### **About Beam:**

Beam is the trading name of Public Arts, an arts organisation and registered charity founded in 1986. Beam is based in Wakefield, West Yorkshire, but works across the region and nationally. See [www.beam.uk.net](http://www.beam.uk.net)

#### **Skills and Background:**

We are seeking individuals with skills, knowledge and experience in:

- The arts and cultural sector
- The built environment sector
- Experience of working in Wakefield / Yorkshire region and associated knowledge, connections and networks
- Fundraising
- Enterprise / Business Development

#### **Person specification:**

- A commitment to the organisation
- A willingness to devote the necessary time and effort
- Strategic vision
- Good, independent judgement
- An ability to think creatively
- A willingness to speak your mind
- An understanding and acceptance of the legal duties, responsibilities and liabilities of trusteeship
- An ability to work effectively as a member of a team
- Nolan's seven principles of public life: selflessness, integrity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership

#### **The duties of a Trustee are:**

- To ensure that the organisation complies with its governing document (i.e. its trust deed, constitution or memorandum and articles of association), charity law and any other relevant legislation or regulations
- To ensure that the organisation pursues its objects as defined in its governing document
- To ensure that the organisation applies its resources exclusively in pursuance of its objects (i.e. the charity must not spend money on activities which are not included in its own objects, no matter how worthwhile or charitable those activities are)
- To contribute actively to the board of trustees' role in giving firm strategic direction to the organisation, setting overall policy, defining goals and setting targets and evaluating outcomes against the agreed targets.
- To safeguard the good name and values of the organisation

- To ensure the effective and efficient administration of the organisation
- To ensure the financial stability of the organisation
- To protect and manage the property of the charity and to ensure the proper investment of the charity's funds
- To monitor the performance of freelance consultants
- 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 discussions, focusing on key issues, providing advice and guidance on new initiatives, or other issues in which the trustee has special expertise.

### **How to Register Your Interest**

Please apply by email to Kevin Trickett MBE, Deputy Chair of Trustees, attaching a covering letter expressing why you are interested in joining the board and a copy of your full CV: kevintrickett@msn.com

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