



Derbyshire Mind Trustee Vacancies

Role: Trustee

Salary: This is a voluntary role, though reasonable out of pocket expenses can be claimed.

Mental health is not hidden anymore; its on the front pages; its on the political agenda; its spoken about by royalty. For millions of people, mental health is now something to be honest about not ashamed of.

The Coronavirus pandemic has had a major impact on the nation's mental health, and now more than ever local charities like Derbyshire Mind are needed to bring people together, deliver support and create change in our communities.

We will be playing our part in building social wellbeing and promoting mental health across Derby and Derbyshire in the years ahead. We will also continue to be a powerful voice for those experiencing mental health problems.

We are at an exciting time in the growth and development of our organisation. For many years we have been recognised as a provider of high quality advocacy services, but we also deliver community mental wellbeing support and are looking to launch new services. Because of this, we are always actively seeking grants, sponsorship and donations to fund innovative ways to improve mental health and emotional wellbeing. All donations go entirely towards delivering these projects and services.

To help Derbyshire Mind to develop and achieve our vision we are looking for enthusiastic and skilled leaders to join our Board of Trustees and play a significant role in taking Derbyshire Mind forward.

We need highly committed, dynamic individuals who want to make a difference and support the improvement of mental health and wellbeing in Derby and Derbyshire.

We are interested in hearing from people who share our commitment, are strategic thinkers with strong communication skills and have a high level of integrity.

We are also particularly seeking Trustees with additional skills and experience in any of the following areas:

- Lived experience of mental health problems
- Digital, specifically websites and web-based communications
- Legal
- Finance, financial governance and accounting, including a qualification in accountancy
- IT and Information Governance
- HR and Leadership
- Mental Health sector, including policy and legislation

If you fit this description, this is the right time to consider joining the board of Derbyshire Mind. You could help to lead our organisation in its decision-making and planning for the future. A future where we are here to help make sure that everyone in Derby and Derbyshire can enjoy good mental wellbeing and live their best lives.

We welcome applications from all members of our diverse community across Derby and Derbyshire. We particularly welcome applications from people with lived experience of mental health problems.

To apply

To apply for the Trustee role, please send the following to jenny.hotchkiss@derbyshiremind.org.uk by **12 noon on Friday 23rd April 2021**:

- A current CV
- A covering letter (no more than two sides of A4), outlining how you meet the core skills, qualities and experience set out in the person specification. Please also outline how you meet one or more of the additional skills listed in the person specification. If you feel that you could bring other additional strengths, skills or experience to Derbyshire Mind, please tell us about these in your letter.
- It is Derbyshire Mind's policy to take up references in respect of all volunteers and Trustees. Please provide the names and contact details of two people who would be willing to provide a reference.

Unfortunately, Derbyshire Mind cannot consider for interview applicants that have not provided all of the above information. Please also complete the equal opportunities monitoring form and return it along with your application.

If you would like an informal discussion about the role before applying, please email Graham Jowett, our Chair, on graham.jowett@derbyshiremind.org.uk, to arrange a suitable time.

Closing Date: 12 noon on Friday 23rd April 2021

Interviews will be held on 5th, 6th or 7th May 2021 and may be either face to face at our offices in Mackworth, Derby or by video call.

All trustee appointments will be subject to satisfactory references and trustee eligibility checks.

These roles are subject to a criminal records check with the disclosure and barring service.