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Standing up for Hertfordshire's countryside

### **Trustees**

Estimated time requirement is around 3 hours weekly, with some availability both daytimes and evenings

The pandemic has shown how much we all need and value the green spaces around us, so our work is more important now than ever. Our Trustees govern the charity and guide our work to protect and promote Hertfordshire's beautiful countryside for everyone to enjoy.

To help grow our influence and impact, we are now expanding our Board of Trustees and seek to appoint up to 3 individuals.

We always seek a good balance of expertise across our Trustee group and we welcome candidates with a broad range of professional and managerial experience.

We would particularly welcome individuals with **marketing**, **fundraising** and / or **campaigning** experience to further enhance our capabilities in these areas.

## What will you be doing?

This is an excellent opportunity to play an influential role in a respected local environmental organisation, to apply your skills and experience to make a real difference and to be part of a friendly and passionate group.

Duties of all of our Trustees include:

- contributing actively as a member of the Trustee Board in giving strategic direction to the organisation, setting overall policy, defining goals, setting targets and evaluating performance
- participating in sub-committees such as the CPRE Hertfordshire Awards group
- ensuring that the charity complies with its constitution, charity law, and any other relevant legislation or regulations
- safeguarding the good name and values of the charity
- ensuring the financial stability and effective administration of the charity
- protecting and managing the property of the charity and ensuring proper investment of the charity's funds
- having oversight of staff appointments and monitoring performance
- being an advocate for the charity at all times talking about our work, and asking people to join or donate

CPRE is working nationally and locally for a beautiful and living countryside

President: Sir Simon Bowes Lyon, KCVO

Chairman: Richard Bullen

All of our Trustees should expect to provide occasional help with our marketing, communications, fundraising and/or campaigning activities.

# What are we looking for?

You will be home-based, carrying out activities around your other commitments and attending occasional meetings at our office in Welwyn. As a guide, we anticipate this voluntary role will require on average 3 hours per week. This includes attendance at six Trustee Board meetings per year and the Annual General Meeting, plus occasional events.

### All Trustees should have:

- a strong interest in the countryside
- an understanding and acceptance of the legal duties, responsibilities and liabilities of trusteeship
- the necessary time and scheduling flexibility to fulfill their duties as a Trustee
- an ability to think strategically
- good, independent judgement
- a willingness to speak their mind and participate fully in meetings
- the ability to work as a team member with a group of committed volunteers
- good digital skills including internet, email, MS Word or equivalent and familiarity with social media.

In accordance with our constitution, all Trustees must be, or become, members of CPRE. It's easy to join online. Trustees may serve for up to 6 years.

# What difference will you make?

At CPRE Hertfordshire we want to encourage everyone to connect with the beautiful countryside and its benefits. As a Trustee you will be able to make a significant and direct contribution to the development and implementation of our strategy and ensure the success of the charity.

### What's in it for the volunteer?

CPRE volunteers are motivated to help for a range of reasons, but normally they have a strong interest in protecting and enhancing the environment, as well as encouraging people to enjoy the countryside and all it has to offer.

#### Benefits include:

- A great opportunity to use your existing experience and to develop new skills
- Working with others to make a difference both locally and nationally
- The potential to meet and discuss issues with a wide range of like-minded people
- Opportunities to attend local and national CPRE training, activities, events and workshops

The role is voluntary although we will pay out-of-pocket expenses with prior agreement, in line with our Volunteers Policy. CPRE Hertfordshire is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) which provides the benefit of limited liability for members and Trustees.

For more information or to apply please contact Eliza at <a href="mailto:office@cpreherts.org.uk">office@cpreherts.org.uk</a>