

Become a SHAK Trustee

SHAK (South Hampstead and Kilburn Community Partnership) is a resident led charity based on the iconic Alexandra and Ainsworth estate* in the Kilburn ward of Camden NW London, an area of high rates of deprivation and poverty but big potential. Our mission is to enable young people and adults to overcome barriers to economic and social inclusion. We engage with residents and young people through a range of activities based at the SHELL Centre (a well-equipped resource centre) and the ARC youth club and music studio. Through these, we offer a range of exciting and highly creative projects working in innovative ways with the local area and community.

Shak was established in 2003 and has a committed board of trustees, staff team and volunteers who have played a key role in supporting the community during the recent COVID 19 and Cost-of-Living crises. Impressive recent growth means that we wish to strengthen the board through the appointment of individuals who ideally have links to the area, time and skills to contribute towards the good governance of the organisation and support our work in the local community.

We are seeking new trustees with skills in the areas of safeguarding, fundraising and strategy development etc. We are particularly interested in increasing representation at board level from minority communities.

Appointments are initially for three years, with the opportunity for re-election, up to a maximum of nine years. Trustees are unpaid, but reasonable out of pocket expenses can be reimbursed. The board meets quarterly (every 3 months) and has an Annual General Meeting. Between meetings, you may be asked to take on one or two other commitments such as overseeing specific projects or areas of work.

Candidates will need to have or be willing to undertake a DBS check and child protection training.

If you would like further information or wish to apply for this role please contact our Chair at chair@shakonline.co.uk or the CEO at jboyle@shakonline.co.uk.

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(What is a Trustee? - A Trustee is a member of a Board which decides the charity's priorities and future strategic plans and makes sure that the charity achieves its plans effectively. Some Trustees also give practical help with the charity's activities. This requires commitment and responsibility, but it also allows you to see the charity's positive effects on people and society. Being a charity Trustee can also help you contribute your ideas and experience to a good cause while gaining new life-skills or which can help you develop your career.)

*The *estate* is among the most ambitious social housing schemes of its time. Listed Grade II* in 1993. The *estate* is of historic significance. Built in the late 1960s to a design by the revered Modernist architect Neave Brown, the development has been given a rare Grade II* listing by English Heritage in recognition of its architectural significance. It frequently appears as a setting for television programmes and films.