

Devon Communities Together

Could you be our new Trustee?

Pictured: Our Chair, Nicola Gurr and our CEO, Nora Corkery, at the Devon County Show July 2021



96%
trustees
said they
learned a
new skill*

84%
trustees said
it made them
happier*

73%
trustees said
it boosted
their
confidence*

Being a Trustee of a charity is a great way of using your experience and enthusiasm to make a difference to people's lives, meet new people and even learn some new skills along the way. An exciting opportunity has arisen for an experienced person to join our Board of Trustees as our new Treasurer. Find out more below ...

Who are we?

DCT is an independent charity and company limited by guarantee. We are one of 38 Rural Community Councils (RCC) and a member of Action With Communities in Rural England (ACRE), a national network of all the Rural Community Councils in shire counties across England. Last year we celebrated our 60th anniversary and we are a well-established and respected member of the voluntary and community sector in Devon.

Find out more at www.devoncommunities.org.uk. Or email us at info@devoncommunities.org.uk or telephone us on 01392 248919.

What do we do?

Living in Devon can be wonderful but we understand that there are also many communities and people that are currently facing serious challenges. Devon Communities Together works with a broad range of people who may need support; from older people at risk of loneliness to young people struggling to access employment; from those in food or fuel poverty to social enterprises and small businesses; from groups keeping their

communities safe during emergencies to village hall committees maintaining these vital community assets - and many more.

Our approach is always to 'help communities to help themselves'.

*Source: <https://www.gettingonboard.org/post/how-to-recruit-trustees-for-your-charity-a-practical-guide-launches-today>

What does our Board of Trustees do?

Our Board members are both a Trustee of the charity and a Company Director. The Board takes a strategic overview of the organisation and provides guidance to our staff team, which handles the day-to-day operational management of the organisation and service delivery. Our new Trustee will play a key strategic role in shaping the financial future of our charity.

What will you get out of it?

Our new Trustee will benefit from the development of valuable new skills, as well as the opportunity to meet and network with new colleagues, including our expert staff team. We provide opportunities for Trustees to join staff outings, public events, working groups and team meetings if they wish to, and provide regular trustee communications so you can feel part of our team.

Above all, you will be providing valuable guidance to help DCT support communities all over Devon, helping us create positive change for thousands of people.

What experience are we looking for?

You'll be energetic and enthusiastic about supporting the aims of our charity. We are looking for Trustees with prior experience in the following areas:

- Environmental issues / sustainability
- Campaigning / advocacy
- Rural Housing
- Property Management
- Marketing
- Fundraising