**10 questions every trustee should consider**

1. Do you delegate to management within a clearly defined and appropriate scope of authority?

2. Do you have effective reporting mechanisms and do trustees receive timely information in a format that is understandable?

3. Do you challenge robustly and ask questions (even the awkward and stupid ones)?

4. Do you clearly articulate the role of the chair and have the checks and balances which effective governance demands?

5. Do you consider the “sell-by-date” of trustees i.e. do you consider the tenure of the trustees and the chair?

6. Do you consider the reserves to make adequately informed decisions considering future sustainability balancing what is needed now with what will be needed in the future?

7. Do you regularly review internal financial controls to ensure they are robust and fit for purpose?

8. Do you seek to improve performance and efficiency, considering outcome and impact of your charity’s work?

9. Do you assess whether there are new and better ways of delivering your charity’s purpose?

10. Do you consider accountability and how your charity communicates with its key stakeholders?