

Be Free Young Carers, Oxfordshire – Trustees with Financial accounting and Legal expertise

About Be Free Young Carers

Be Free Young Carers (BFYC) currently operates across South Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse Districts. We offer support and advice dedicated to improving the lives and well-being of young carers.

BFYC is the only specialist charity supporting young carers in Oxfordshire. We provide advice and guidance, offer befriending and peer support, enabling young carers to meet, socialise and have fun, increasing their self-confidence and improving their mental well-being.

In the post pandemic period, like many charities in Oxfordshire, BFYC has seen an increase in demand. It is also clear that a significant unmet need to support young carers exists across the county. We have a strategy to expand the geographical remit of young carers we can support, moving into Oxford in 2022 and the surrounding area, but retaining a focus on Southern Oxfordshire. Our strategy will result in young carers across Oxfordshire receiving vital support they urgently need.

We are looking for individuals with a financial accounting and legal background to join the Board and support our dedicated, growing, professional and highly motivated BFYC team. This is an exciting time to join a small but thriving, growing charity and a rare opportunity to contribute to meeting the needs of Young Carers across Oxfordshire.

Main duties of the Board of Trustees;

- As a Trustee of Be Free Young Carers (BFYC) you along with other Trustees will have overall control of the charity and will be responsible for making sure we are doing what we were set up to do.
- You will work closely with BFYC CEO, and take a lead on our Finance and Administration sub-committee of the Board.
- You will utilise your individual skills and experience to support the charity and help us achieve our aims.

As a Trustee you will;

- Offer advice and guidance to the Board and CEO.
- Ensure the charity is carrying out its purposes for the public benefit
- Comply with the charity's governing document and the law
- Act in the charity's best interests

- Manage the charity's resources responsibly
- Act with care and skill
- Ensure the charity is accountable.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

We are currently seeking two trustees:

- one who has experience/qualifications in the finance profession - accountancy experience desirable;
- one who has experience/ qualifications within the legal profession.

We are keen to see applications from across Oxfordshire and a diverse range of backgrounds.

More information is available at <https://befreeyc.org.uk/>. Please contact David Wells, Chair BFYC at davidwells15@ntlworld.com if you wish to be considered for the post.