



Greater Manchester
**Mayor's
Charity**

Trustee Recruitment Pack

June 2022

Registered Charity Number : 1180418



Welcome from Chair...

Thanks for taking the time to find out more about us here at Greater Manchester Mayor's Charity. We believe that homelessness has no place here in Greater Manchester. We bring people, businesses and communities together to pioneer new ideas and invest in promising practice.

It has been quite a journey for the charity to date. We emerged from a moment of real crisis in 2018, when the numbers of people sleeping rough were higher than they'd been in a decade. From the very start, we played a fundamental role in funding the establishment of the flagship 'A Bed Every Night' programme which has reduced rough sleeping numbers across Greater Manchester by 52% since its inception.

We then faced (like the rest of the world) the unprecedented challenge of a global pandemic. Once again, our funding played a vital role in the city region's response. Our Covid-19 Funding programme reached over 150 frontline organisations. We supported the homelessness sector with vital investments (enabling the rapid adaptation of frontline operational models) as well as delivering grass roots community funding, which still continues to support response and recovery.

The charity is now at a critical point in its development. We are currently recruiting a new Executive team as we plan to expand our fundraising and develop exciting partnerships and grants.

It seems timely to recruit new trustees to join us on this journey. We want to make things happen and with great people, great change is possible.

Best wishes

Tim Heatley

Chair or Trustees



Our impact to date...

£3,197,786

Vital funds raised since 2018
right here in Greater
Manchester

£2,820,782

Given out as grants to local
causes with more to come!

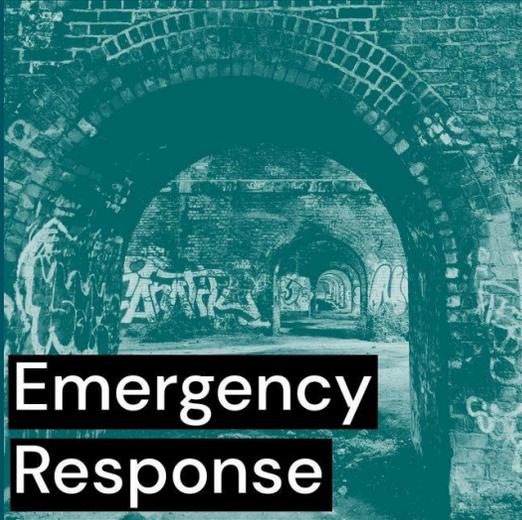
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Organisations previously or
currently being supported

40,000

Nights accomodation funded
through A Bed Every Night

3 priorities and 3 strands...



What we're currently doing:

- Supporting **A Bed Every Night** – aiming to fund 21,900 nights accommodation each year



What we're currently doing:

- A partner in Embassy Village – which is creating a new community that will provide much needed wrap-around support for vulnerable men



What we're currently doing:

- A partner in the 'Direct Cash Transfers' project
- Funding a vital post for the Greater Manchester Homelessness Action Network

About the role

The Charities Act 1993 defines charity trustees as those responsible under the charity's governing document for controlling the administration and management of the charity.

The trustee board must always act in the best interests of GMMC, exercising the same standard of duty of care that a prudent person would apply if looking after the affairs of someone for whom they have responsibility. The trustee board must act as a group and not as individuals.

Trustee positions are unpaid and voluntary.

The duties of a trustee board member are to:

- Ensure that GMMC complies with its governing document, charity law, company law and any other relevant legislation or regulations
- Ensure that GMMC pursues (and applies its resources effectively towards) its objects as defined in its governing document

About the role (cont.)

- Contribute actively to the board of trustees by giving firm strategic direction to GMMC, setting overall policy, defining goals, setting targets, and evaluating performance against agreed targets
- Protect and promote the core values of GMMC, acting at all times and in the best interests of the charity
- Ensure the financial stability of GMMC and ensure risk is well managed and mitigated
- Pro-actively represent GMMC in the wider world to increase the reach, network and opportunities of the charity
- Take personal and collective responsibility to learn more about the complexity of issues surrounding homelessness and how it impacts people in Greater Manchester
- Use any specific skills, knowledge or experience they have to help the board of trustees reach sound decisions. This may involve leading discussions, identifying key issues, providing advice and guidance on new initiatives, and evaluating or offering advice on other areas in which the trustee has particular expertise
- Above all, strive for excellence, innovation and real change

Who are we looking for?

We are especially looking for Trustees with experience, knowledge and understanding of:

- Fundraising, especially those with extensive networks to support the charity
- Communications, marketing and PR
- The charity sector

We welcome new Trustees embarking on their first board position.

Time Commitment

- x6 board meetings per year (2 hrs each). Additional special meetings may be called in-between
- x3 Sub-committees which each meet monthly: Ethics; Funding & Investment; Finance, Audit & Risk. All trustees must sit on at least one Sub-committee
- You will need to prepare for meetings by reviewing and absorbing papers, which are circulated in advance
- From time to time you will be expected to attend events and take on an ambassadorial role for the charity
- Annual strategic away day for all trustees to attend
- Additional opportunities to support working groups around specific issues or developments – these are voluntary and formed on a case by case basis
- We are seeking trustees on a 3 year term.

The Greater Manchester Mayor's Charity values diversity. Dedicated to cultivating and upholding a culture of inclusion, we are committed to equal opportunity and anti-discrimination practices.

We seek diversity in our applicants and are particularly interested in attracting applications from candidates from historically marginalised groups.

If you have a special need or disability that requires accommodation, please let us know.

How to apply...

For more information about the Charity please visit our website –
www.gmmayorscharity.org.uk

To apply please send your CV and a maximum one page cover letter to –
enquiries@gmmayorscharity.org.uk

Please include why you would like to join the board and what skills/experience you can bring, particularly relating to the areas outlined.

Deadline for applications: 30 June 2022.



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