Housing Matters (Bristol)

Role:	Trustee
Specialism:	Housing and homelessness
Contract Type:	N/A
Hours:	Part Time (approximately 2 - 3 hours per month, depending on involvement in optional subcommittees)
Location:	Bristol or the surrounding areas
Salary:	The role of Trustee is not accompanied by any financial remuneration, although expenses for travel may be claimed

Who we are

Housing Matters (Bristol) is a specialist housing advice, support and advocacy charity in Bristol. We believe quality housing is a human right. We're here to give anyone in and around Bristol the knowledge and support they need to live in safe, secure homes. We work tirelessly with clients, offering both brief guidance, holistic support and long-term casework. We amplify clients' voices to influence housing policy and empower people to fight for the home they deserve.

Our vision

Our vision is a society where everyone has a place, they're happy to call home.

Our mission

We are experts in housing advice, support and advocacy, here to help the people of Bristol and beyond navigate the path to a safe and secure home. We aim to find unique, long-term solutions for our clients, whatever their needs.

Our values

People First – Informed – Dedicated – Inclusive – Resourceful

Details of Role

We are seeking a Trustee with significant knowledge and experience of the housing and homelessness sector to join our Board and support Housing Matters at an exciting stage of its development.

The successful candidate will share our vision, mission and values and bring strategic insight into the challenges, opportunities and emerging trends affecting people experiencing housing insecurity and homelessness.

We are particularly interested in candidates who can bring an understanding of housing and homelessness issues within Bristol, the West of England, or the wider UK context. Whether

through frontline delivery, strategic leadership, policy development, research or lived experience, we are looking for someone who can help the Board understand the challenges facing our communities and the changing environment in which we operate.

As a Trustee, you will help ensure Housing Matters remains effective, relevant and responsive to the needs of the people we serve. You will provide guidance and constructive challenge to the leadership team, helping to shape organisational strategy, identify opportunities for greater impact and strengthen our long-term resilience.

Previous trustee experience is not required. We are looking for someone who can bring relevant skills, knowledge, insight and enthusiasm to the Board. We particularly welcome applications from people with lived experience of housing insecurity or homelessness, and from those who live in or have strong connections to the communities we serve.

We can offer you:

- The chance to be part of a charity at an exciting time in its development, and to have a big impact. Trustees are essential to ensuring that Housing Matters remains strong, sustainable and able to navigate changing times and economic climates.
- The opportunity to be part of our small, dedicated, friendly team.
- The opportunity to make a difference to the housing crisis and homelessness issues in Bristol.
- Experience of being on a board of Trustees, with training and development opportunities.
- Expenses, so you are not out of pocket.

How to Apply: If you are interested in applying, please send a short cover letter and CV to recruitment@housingmatters.org.uk

For questions regarding the role, please contact Alice Tibbert (CEO) through the Housing Matters recruitment email (above).