

# **Board of Directors Vacancy**

## About Edinburgh Young Carers

Edinburgh Young Carers (EYC) is a sector-leading body and operates to help young people with caring responsibilities across Edinburgh. We are committed to giving young people the very best support and opportunities via a range of high quality and person-centred services. We ensure a rights-based approach to our work: young carers are actively involved in shaping our development – from raising awareness of their needs to helping us deliver change through campaigning efforts.

# About this Opportunity

Being a Board member is a voluntary role which carries legal responsibilities that are the same as those of a company director. Every Board member shares the same level of responsibility regardless of their background. Members will offer life experience and/or professional expertise.

As with all our Board roles, this is a voluntary position and has no remuneration attached to it, however all reasonable expenses incurred will be reimbursed. We will provide full training for the role, including a supportive induction as well as the opportunity to attend a Board meeting prior to appointment.

The Board meets around six times per year on a Wednesday evening. There are times when you will be asked for extra commitment for specific projects; agreed through negotiation. At present, the Board has two sub-committees; one focusing on quality and risk and the other on remuneration and benefits. On average, the applicant can expect to spend between 1-2 days per month on EYC matters (including attendance at Board meetings).

This is an excellent and rewarding opportunity for an individual with the right mix of experience and passion, who is looking for a meaningful way to help improve the lives of young carers across Edinburgh.

Currently, our Board has members with a range of skills and backgrounds including: social work, I.T., business and corporate, finance, the charitable and public sectors and child protection. The Board works well together with members supporting each other as well as employed staff and the senior management team.

### Skills & Experience

We are looking for someone with a commitment to providing high quality support to young carers. The principal area of specialism for the successful candidate at present will be knowledge in the education sector, preferably at secondary level. That said, anyone with relevant skills in other disciplines will also be given active consideration.

#### Meetings

Board Meetings take place at the offices of Edinburgh Young Carers, Norton Park, 57 Albion Road, Edinburgh EH7 5QY. Some meetings will be held face to face and others over video conference.

#### Additional Factors - Accessibility Details

Wheelchair Access: Available Disabled Toilet: Available

#### Minimum Age

Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age.

#### Applications and Further Information

If you are interested in this wonderful opportunity, you can download an application form from our website here: https://www.youngcarers.org.uk/get-involved/vacancies/

Alternatively, please contact our main office number on 0131 475 2322 or email info@youngcarers.org.uk