

Trustees Role – Growing Hope Brockley

About Growing Hope

Growing Hope champions accessibility and provides free therapy for children with additional needs and their families in partnership with local churches across the UK. We aim to bring hope to children through providing free therapy. We grow hope for families where hope has been lost due to isolation and rejection. We share hope in Jesus, because he brings hope even in the most difficult situations.

Growing Hope was founded by Naomi Fox (CEO) who started the national charity and the first local clinic in Kings Cross in February 2018. Knowing how desperate families are for support, Growing Hope bridges the gap between the need and availability of therapy services. Growing Hope national charity provide support, structures, services and training to local Growing Hope clinics and have a vision to set up twenty clinics in partnership with local churches by 2030.

Context

Growing Hope Brockley was set up in partnership with St Peter's Brockley and is now in its fifth year. The clinic provides free therapy services for children and young people with additional needs and their families living in Lewisham and Southwark communities. Our aim is to provide a holistic service which supports parents, carers and siblings - as well as the children and young people themselves. In 2024, the clinic supported 45 children, siblings, parents and carers through therapy and training and raised £46,677 to grow hope in the lives of people in Lewisham and Southwark.

“Thank you for listening to us and helping us! The work Growing Hope do is amazing. I have told other families about Growing Hope as so many would benefit.” Growing Hope Brockley Clinic Parent



Role Summary

We are looking for new trustees to join the existing board of trustees. The board is responsible for the governance of the local charity and supports the clinic in delivering its charitable objectives. Trustees will support the Clinic Manager in delivering the Charity's mission and vision, ensuring our culture of collaboration, curiosity, and innovation continues.

Trustees may be expected to act as ambassadors and engage with the clinic manager in fundraising activities and initiatives.

Charitable Objectives

1. The advancement of health and wellbeing for the public benefit by the provision of a therapy clinic run in accordance with Christian principles for children and young people (0-18) with additional needs and their families living in the local area. In particular, but not exclusively, by:

a. Registered health care professionals providing assessment, advice and intervention and other services as the trustees of the charity from time to time think fit.

b. Provision of sibling, parent and carer support groups and courses and other services as the trustees of the charity from time to time think fit.

2. The advancement of the Christian faith for the public benefit through:

a. the opportunity to engage in conversation about faith and spiritual wellbeing;

b. providing support that enables children and young people with additional needs, and their families to access prayer and worship services;

c. providing pastoral care and the opportunity for prayer and other such activities as the trustees may from time to time think fit that enlighten others about the Christian faith.

Trustee Role Requirements

- Committed Christian
- Attending Trustee meetings on a quarterly basis (once every three months)
- Ability to work collaboratively and strategically
- Experience of charity governance or a willingness to learn
- Expertise in a particular area, eg. Marketing, HR, Finance, Education, Events, Healthcare
- Commitment to champion Growing Hope Brockley and offering ongoing support of the Clinic Manager by attending fundraising events and being an ambassador for the charity
- The role *could* also include helping to gather additional support through volunteers, offering additional time to help with grant writing, event organising and similar roles where appropriate.



How to Apply or find out more

Please send expressions of interest to brockley@growinghope.org.uk with a CV and cover letter stating your suitability for the role or get in touch to find out more.

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