



SLLS Executive Committee - Role of Ordinary Member (Trustee)

The duties of a member

- Members are responsible for the proper administration of the charity;
- Members must accept ultimate responsibility for everything the charity does;
- Members have to act reasonably and prudently in all matters relating to the charity
- Members must safeguard and protect the assets of the charity;
- Members have a duty to act collectively;
- Members must act in the best interests of the charity;
- Members must avoid any personal conflict between their personal interests and those of the charity.

Other duties

In addition to the above duties, each member should use any specific skills, knowledge, or experience they have to help the committee reach sound decisions. This may involve:

- Scrutinising board papers;
- Leading discussions;
- Focusing on key issues;
- Providing guidance on new initiatives;
- Other issues in which the member has special expertise.

Member person specification

- Commitment to the organisation;
- Willingness to devote the necessary time and effort;
- Strategic vision;
- Good, independent judgement;
- Ability to think creatively;
- Willingness to speak their mind;
- Understanding the acceptance of the legal duties, responsibilities, and liabilities of being a committee member;
- Ability to work effectively as a member of a team;
- Demonstrating selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty, and leadership.