

Health and Safety Trustee and/or Volunteer

York House Arts and Youth Centre, Stony Stratford, Milton Keynes

Time commitment:

Approx. 2–6 hours per month

(Board meetings for Trustees on the second Tuesday of every month, and occasional advice as needed)

About the Role

York House is looking for a trustee and/or volunteer with Health and Safety experience to join our friendly board. As a small but active charity supporting the local community through arts and youth activities, it's important that our spaces, events, and practices stay safe and welcoming for everyone.

We're not expecting you to be on-site checking fire extinguishers every week! But we would really value a calm, experienced voice who can help us:

- Keep our Health and Safety policies up to date
 - Make sure we're following current legislation and best practices
 - Be a point of support when safety questions arise
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What You'll Be Doing

- Reviewing Health and Safety policies and risk assessments from time to time
- Advising on compliance with legal obligations (e.g. fire safety, venue hire requirements)
- Supporting good practice for safe use of our building and grounds
- Helping us keep up with changes in Health and Safety regulations
- Providing occasional advice around events or youth activities, especially where safety considerations are key
- Ensuring we take a sensible, proportionate approach to risk

This role can be either:

a) A Trustee with this specific portfolio – this would include attending monthly trustee meetings

or

b) A Volunteer Consultant on an ad hoc basis

What We're Looking For

- Some experience or understanding of Health and Safety – doesn't need to be super formal
- A practical, common-sense approach to managing risk
- Up-to-date knowledge of UK Health and Safety law, or confidence in keeping up to date
- Interest in supporting arts, youth, and community activity in Stony Stratford

Bonus If You Have:

- Experience with Health and Safety in small venues or community settings
- Familiarity with safeguarding or event safety planning (not essential)

Why Join Us?

- Make a real difference in your local community
- Use your knowledge to help keep people safe and comfortable
- Join a warm and welcoming team of trustees and volunteers
- Flexible, low-commitment role – we understand people are busy!

Interested?

We'd love to hear from you. Just drop us an email marked F.A.O Ken Daniels and Reference - *Health and Safety Trustee and/or Volunteer* role with a short note about your experience and interest to:

 [**info@york-house.org.uk**](mailto:info@york-house.org.uk)

If you'd like a chat about the role first, contact Ken Daniels at info@york-house.org.uk

A Trustee plays a vital leadership role in a charity, helping to guide its mission, shape its strategy, and ensure it's well-run and legally compliant. It's a rewarding position with the opportunity to make a meaningful, lasting impact.

A Volunteer gives their time and energy to support a charity's work on the ground. They're essential to delivering services and creating positive change, often forming the heart of the organisation's community.