



South West Music School – Trustees

South West Music School is a forward-thinking charity that works to support young musicians from across the South West of England. We offer a variety of training and development opportunities to talented musicians aged 8-20, whilst keeping the activity and support as close to home as possible. We are a Centre of Advanced Training for the DfE's Music and Dance Scheme; this enables us to offer grants to those families on lower income for their package of support.

Our activity is extra-curricular, taking place at weekends and School holidays

We operate across the SW region on a virtual basis. We do not have an office base, our small team work from home. Our workshops and residential take place within Schools across the region.

Our trustees play a vital role in making sure that South West Music School (SWMS) achieves its core purpose.

- They oversee the overall management and administration of the charity.
- They support and challenge the team to enable South West Music School to grow and thrive.
- The role of the trustee is to ensure that South West Music School has a clear strategy, and that our work and goals are in line with our vision.

General information

Meetings are held quarterly either in person or on Zoom.

Board members have a collective responsibility - The trustees always act as a group and not as individuals.

The Trustees:

- Approve operational strategies and policies.
- Oversee the charity's financial plans and budgets
- Ensure the effective and efficient administration of the organisation
- Contribute to the broader promotion of SWMS objects, aims and reputation by applying your skills, expertise, knowledge and contacts whilst keeping abreast of changes in SWMS operating environment.

If you are passionate about supporting young musicians to flourish and develop their skills, and would like to find out more about joining our board of Trustees, please send a covering introduction letter to the General Manager – Tracy Hill – t.hill@swms.org.uk

All expressions of interest will be forwarded to the Chair of Trustees – Dr Oliver Leaman.

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