



## The Friends of FZY is searching for enthusiastic & passionate **Trustee** to join its Trustee Board

### About the Friends of FZY:

The Friends of FZY (FFZY), a UK charity established in 1970 with the registered charity number 261241, is committed to raising funds to support the programming and activities of the Federation of Zionist Youth UK (FZY). FFZY provides both grants and interest free loans to members of FZY with a financial need who are participating in FZY's programmes, and also provides FZY with grants to provide the youth in the British Jewish community educational programming to strengthen their Jewish and Zionist connection.

### About FZY:

The Federation of Zionist Youth UK (FZY) is one of the leading Jewish Zionist youth movements in the UK that strives to challenge, stimulate, educate, and excite British Jewish youth with imaginative peer-led programmes on a weekly basis, and on camps, seminars, and events at a national and international level. FZY aims to create a unique and positive atmosphere where all its members feel comfortable to express themselves, develop a strong Jewish and Zionist identity, and have amazing, unforgettable experiences. FZY is the oldest Zionist Youth Movement in the UK at 114 years old and over the past few decades have taken and engaged more Jewish youth to and with Israel than any other UK youth organisation.

FZY's vision statement is 'The Jewish People living in peace in the State of Israel as One People and as a Light Unto the Nations' and its mission statement is 'To inspire and educate all Jewish Youth with whom FZY comes into contact to take part in the future of the Jewish people, and its ultimate expression in the State of Israel'.

### About the role:

[According to the Charity Commission](#), the six main duties of a trustee are: to ensure the charity is carrying out its purposes for the public benefit; to comply with the charity's governing document and law; act in the charity's best interests; manage the charity's resources responsibly; act with reasonable care and skill; and ensure the charity is accountable. In addition to ensuring these duties are complied with, the Friends of FZY are searching for trustees who can help it deliver on its fundraising goals and manage its grant making process in order for FFZY to successfully succeed with its mission.

In this role, we are looking for trustees who believe in both FFZY's and FZY's mission, understand and value youth empowerment, have a positive mindset, and who are ready to invest some of their time into supporting, guiding, safeguarding and nurturing the Friends of FZY and by doing so, FZY itself. This role is an opportunity to be a part of a charity which is helping to embed core Jewish, Zionist and humanistic values, and shaping young people's lives positively, which in and of itself is truly rewarding.

As a trustee of the Friends of FZY, your responsibilities will be:

- Attending regular trustee meetings (mostly online) and any relevant committee meetings.
- Ensuring good governance, legal compliance, and effective performance by bringing important issues to the trustee board for inclusion on meeting agendas, taking professional advice when appropriate and asking questions.
- Using your skills and experience to support FFZY's work, including by participating in a sub-committee that reports into the trustee board.
- Creating and supporting FFZY's fundraising activities by organising, attending and/or generating support for these.
- Ensuring the financial stability of FFZY whilst working to secure the funding to annually support FZY's programmes and members to further both FFZY's and FZY's goals.
- Supporting the award-giving procedure to both FZY and FZY's members as per FFZY's financial ability and its goals.
- Acting as an ambassador for the Friends of FZY, comfortable speaking with FZY members, alumni and/or the parent community regarding fundraising, donations, financial assistance and/or supporting FZY via the Friends of FZY.
- Ensuring the effective and efficient administration of FFZY, including having appropriate policies and procedures in place.
- Complying with FFZY's governing document, charity law, and any other legislation or regulations.

### **Who FFZY are searching for:**

FZY are searching for up to five new trustees as we look to expand our trustee board to meet the needs of FFZY today. Although not restricted in this way, trustees with expertise in any of the following areas would be a bonus:

- Fundraising
- Finance
- Award Giving
- Charity Sector

Additionally, the Friends of FZY are searching for a Chair of the trustee board. This person, in addition to the main duties and responsibilities listed above, would have some additional time to invest in:

- Setting agendas for and chairing the trustee board meetings to ensure they are useful and productive.
- Meeting with FZY's Executive Director on a regular basis, to ensure the needs of the movement are aligned with the resources of FFZY.
- Encouraging full participation and expression of considered opinions at the trustee board and in committees in a constructive and respectful manner.

### **The ideal candidate is someone who:**

- Strongly believes in the vision and mission of FFZY and FZY, and the importance of building the next generation of Jews, Zionists and leaders recognising finances should not be a barrier to participation.
- Understands the volunteer structure of FFZY and the youth-led nature of FZY and can balance this with the Friends of FZY's legal, financial, reputational and safeguarding requirements in addition to its annual fundraising goals.
- Is strategically aware, understands the British Jewish community and has a good sense of the challenges of a values driven and independent charity.

- Is motivated to work collaboratively with the other FFZY trustees, the leadership of FZY and FFZY's & FZY's stakeholders, with time to fulfil the duties expected of a trustee.
- Has a personal connection to the Friends of FZY, FZY and/or its programmes.

**How to apply:**

To apply, please complete this short [online form](#).

For more information, email FZY's Executive Director, [Joel](#).