

# **We're recruiting new Trustees**

## **Voluntary role**

### **Help shape the future of a leading national charity**

Are you passionate about tackling climate change and addressing fuel poverty and injustices in the UK energy system? Do you want to use your skills and experience to support a charity making a real difference across the UK?

#### **About CSE**

The Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE) supports people and organisations across the UK to tackle the climate emergency and end the suffering caused by cold homes. We undertake practical work to support households and communities to act on energy, alongside original research and analysis to inform local and national policy.

We are one of the UK's leading sustainable energy charities, with a 45-year track record of award-winning impact, innovation and influence, as most recently detailed in our [2024–25 Impact Report](#).

#### **About the role**

Our Board of Trustees is critical to our continuing success. Trustees work collaboratively, providing support, insight and constructive challenge to help shape CSE's strategy and ambition, and enhance our effectiveness and charitable impact.

Due to the planned stepping down of some of our board members, we are recruiting up to four new trustees to join the board and provide effective governance and support in the next phase of CSE's development.

#### **Who we're looking for**

All applicants should be able to demonstrate a strong interest in and commitment to CSE's work and charitable objectives.

We are particularly seeking new trustees who bring expertise in at least one of the following areas:

- Knowledge and understanding of the community energy sector, including the challenges and opportunities of delivering local or community energy projects, and how these connect to national policy
- Expertise in organisational development, with a good appreciation of issues associated with employment law
- Experience of finance, accounting and audit, for example through holding a role with financial responsibility in an organisation or from having set up, grown or led a business
- Strong knowledge of voluntary and community sector (VCS) networks, including practical experience of community organising and an understanding of the role grassroots organisations play in affecting social change

We would also welcome applicants who bring:

- Broader expertise directly associated with at least one of CSE's work programmes (fuel poverty advice and support, housing energy retrofit, community action on energy, local net zero delivery, future generations, or fairness in the energy system)

- Understanding of the causes and impacts of fuel poverty, and the solutions required to tackle it
- Knowledge of the UK energy system, including the policy and regulatory environment, and the transition to a fairer, more flexible, decarbonised energy system
- An understanding of the national policy environment underpinning CSE's work, including experience of influencing national energy policy

We are keen to widen the range of perspectives represented on the board and welcome applications from young people, people from under-represented groups, disabled people, and people with lived experience of CSE's work.

If you are interested but unsure whether you meet all of the criteria, we would encourage you to apply or get in touch for an informal conversation.

### **Find out more and apply**

For more information on the role, including the full person specification and how to apply, please see the [trustee candidate pack here](#).

**Closing date:** Midday on Monday 1 June 2026.