

Interested in helping to lead the Fragile X Society?

The Fragile X Society is governed by a fantastic group of volunteers, who use their skills to ensure the health and growth of the organisation. The majority of our Directors have a personal link to Fragile X (such as having children or relatives with the condition), though this is not a requirement. We are currently looking for more people to join our board.

What are we looking for in a Director?

We need people who are passionate about the work of the Fragile X Society and we welcome people with many different skills to the team. Below are some example of the sorts of skills that could be particularly valuable, though we welcome interest from people of many different backgrounds:

- Ideas or experience in fundraising
- Business experience, such as management, strategic planning or governance
- Financial experience, such as budgeting
- Legal experience, such as charity or employment law
- Communications experience

What are the responsibilities of a Director?

Our Directors typically meet face-to-face 3 times per year (typically in central London on a Saturday), plus approximately 3 conference call meetings, as well as email contact between these. Expenses are covered for travel to meetings. Directors are sent reports a week in advance which should be read before the meetings.

Our Board have independent control over, and legal responsibility for, our management and administration. The role of the Directors is to:

- Ensure the charity is carrying out its purposes for the public benefit
- Comply with your charity's governing document and the law
- Act in your charity's best interests
- Ensure your charity is accountable.
- Manage your resources responsibly
- Act with reasonable care and skill.

Once Directors are elected to the board, they may serve for a period of 3 years, after which they will have to stand for re-election. Members of the Board can serve for up to 3 consecutive terms (9 years) before they are required to take at least one year away from the role (after this time they may stand for election again if they wish). The length of commitment to the role depends upon individual availability.

How can I stand to be elected as a Director?

Firstly, if you think that you may be interested in becoming a Director, then you are encouraged to contact our Chair (Dr Kirsten Johnson: Kirsten@fragilex.org.uk or call the Fragile X Society on 01371875100 to leave your details for a call) for an informal discussion. You will be sent some further details about the organisation (including our governing document) and about the role. Our Directors are elected by the members of the Fragile X Society at our annual AGM. Therefore, people who are interested in becoming a Director need to complete a nomination for on the reverse of this sheet and return it to us by 7th August. All nominations need to be supported by two existing members of the Fragile X Society (you can speak to us about this if you require any assistance). The membership will then be made aware of your nomination and will be able to vote at the AGM.

If you are interested in finding out more, please do get in touch.

Director Nomination Form

I am a member of The Fragile X Society and wish to stand for election to the Society's Board of Directors at the AGM to be held on Saturday 7th September 2019.

Name

Address.....

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Postcode..... **Telephone number**.....

Please give a brief description of yourself including those qualities, skills, experience and qualifications, which you would bring to the Society, your experience of fragile X and your reasons for wishing to become a Director of the Society. This information will be included on the ballot paper should the number of Director nominations exceed the number of vacancies on the Board and an election take place at the Society's AGM.

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I agree to the above information being included on the ballot paper for the election of Directors at the Fragile X Society's AGM to be held on Saturday 7th September 2019.

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**Please return this form by 7th August 2019 to The Fragile X Society
Rood End House, 6 Stortford Road, Great Dunmow, Essex CM6 1DA (Tel: 01371 875100)**

Thank you