

Western Dales Bus



Seeks new Chair of Trustees

Our founding Chair is standing down in December and we are looking for a new Chair to lead the organisation. This is a volunteer role, as are all our trustees and drivers, although we are supported by a paid part-time operations manager.

Western Dales Bus is a registered charity and limited company, established in 2012 to reduce social isolation by providing community bus services. We operate timetabled services linking Sedbergh, Dent, Kirkby Stephen and Brough with Kendal and Penrith. We also offer private hire services to charities and community groups.

We are looking for someone with leadership and strategic planning skills and experience who can:

- Chair board meetings
- Support fellow trustees in their roles (see below)
- Ensure the management structure meets the company's needs
- Ensure services provided match demand
- Help us identify new opportunities for scheduled services and private hires
- Review WDB's performance and passenger statistics. (We have a volunteer who helps with statistical and data collection and analysis)
- Build links with local councils
- Deal with any disciplinary issues

Other board members lead on a number of responsibilities, including:

- Monitoring company's financial position and fundraising structure. This includes all aspects bus fares income, subsidies, and grants.
- Other income generation and fundraising activities.
- Line management responsibilities for our part-time operations manager.
- Publicity and communications.

You do not need to have any specific knowledge or experience of the bus industry.

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This is a great opportunity to make a positive impact and support our local communities. If you are interested, please contact Neil Cleeveley at neilcleeveley@gmail.com or call him on 07786 084411 for an informal discussion and further details.