

**Kites Trust**  
**Innovators for socially just and inclusive communities**

**SEEKING TRUSTEES**  
**(Voluntary Role)**

Kites Trust is a Wellington based charitable trust whose purpose is to ensure people who experience mental distress and addiction problems have equal opportunities to live, work and participate in the community. Kites' core belief is that consumer leadership is the key mechanism to achieving its ultimate goal of social inclusion for people who experience mental health and/or addiction issues.

Kites Trust is a well respected and accredited organisation employing a staff of 6.

We are looking for new members to join our board of trustees.

We seek people who can ensure that the purpose, vision and values of the organisation are clearly articulated, understood and upheld. We are particularly keen to reflect mental health and addiction consumer leadership on our board and therefore especially welcome applications from people who have experience of mental distress and/or addictions.

You will need to make a commitment to Kites and be willing to devote the time and energy needed to fulfil the duties and responsibilities of the role. You will need to have strategic vision, independent judgment, and an ability to think creatively. Ideally new trustees will also have experience or expertise in one or more of the following areas:

- Networking and relationship building across a range of government departments and the social sector
- Strong commitment to the Treaty of Waitangi and improving outcomes for Maori
- Qualified accountant or extensive accounting experience
- Experience of community development
- Innovation

We will pay Trustees' travel expenses and provide an induction into Kites work. You will be expected to contribute approximately 4 hours of your time every two months.

Please download the application pack from Kites website [www.kites.org.nz](http://www.kites.org.nz). For further information or discussion about the role of the trustee, contact David, the Kites Manager on Ph. 384 3303

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