



Join the UK Youth Climate Coalition Trustee Board

Role Description 2021

About the UK Youth Climate Coalition (UKYCC)

Formed in 2008, UKYCC is a group of 18 - 29 year olds who volunteer and collaborate to work towards a vision of a just and sustainable world. We mobilise and empower young people to take positive action for global climate justice. Everything we do is guided by our values, which are amplifying youth voices, systemic change, non-violence, transparency, anti-oppression, inclusivity, diversity and independence. We have around 40 active members and will be sending delegates to the COP26 climate talks in November 2021 as well as running and supporting campaigns all year around on topics related to systemic change, wider youth participation, youth engagement on climate and political engagement.

Read more about UKYCC here: <https://www.ukycc.com/about-us>

Become a trustee

We are seeking to build a new board of 5 people to replace outgoing trustees.

The Board of Trustees exists to:

- Offer support and guidance to the UKYCC team. Board members are encouraged to build active relationships with members of the Organising Team, as mentors and advisors.
- Ensure that UKYCC is working towards its strategic objectives of mobilising, uniting, empowering and inspiring young people to create a climate just future. The Board of Trustees is designed to take a longer-term view and to have a clearer perception of the overall progress being made, enabling the organisation to be more effective and strategic.
- Fill knowledge gaps in the organisation (e.g. legal and fundraising) and help locate advice or expertise.

The Board is not an executive decision-making body. UKYCC is a non-hierarchical group of volunteers. Responsibility for decision-making therefore lies with the Team Coordinators in consultation with the Organising Team. The Board can, however, make recommendations and may ask why decisions have been taken.

We are asking for a commitment of:

- Attendance of quarterly meetings of the full Board of Trustees. This will be in person (online during COVID-19) in a place convenient to the Board - most often in London. (Travel expenses to these meetings can be provided).
- Optionally, around once per month, participation in relevant Zoom calls with the UKYCC teams.
- Approximately once per week: to be responsive to requests from the UKYCC Organising Team to provide advice or assistance with relevant matters- via Slack, UKYCC email or Zoom.

How to apply

To apply for this role please email our Chair of Trustees Leia Achampong at **leia.achampong@ukycc.org** outlining in around 300 words why you would like to act as Trustee to the UK Youth Climate Coalition and your experience working on the policy and campaigning nexus. Please also share your CV and/or a link to a LinkedIn profile (if applicable). Applications will be discussed amongst the organising team and, if successful, you will be invited for an interview online.

There is no deadline to apply; we will begin to fill the Trustee positions as soon as we receive the right mix of applications.

In your application please list any experience or expertise relating to the following themes which we have identified as areas which would be relevant and valuable to the trustee team and to the wider organisation. We are not looking for someone who has experience across all of these themes.

- Fundraising (very desirable)
- Volunteering / pastoral skills (very desirable)
- Media / communications (very desirable)
- Worked/engaged in diverse communities e.g. racially, ethnically, LGBTI, disabled and/or socioeconomically diverse communities (Very desirable)
- Experience of different tactics including lobbying and direct action (desirable)
- Campaign strategy & mobilisation (desirable)
- International climate politics (desirable)
- Community energy / community activism (desirable)
- Facilitation skills (desirable)
- Experience of running small organisations (not essential but interesting)
- Knowledge/expertise in the field of climate science (not essential but interesting)

Any other experience you think is relevant.