

Role Descriptor:

# Trustee

## Primary Responsibilities

A trustee is a member of the Board of Trustees, which is the governing body of the Royal Society of Chemistry.

Trustees are responsible and collectively liable for the government and control of the Royal Society of Chemistry and its property and affairs<sup>1</sup>. They provide appropriate oversight, governance and leadership to the Royal Society of Chemistry in pursuit of its object and must always act in its best interests.

Trustees actively participate in decision-

- contribute to constructive debate regarding the strategic development of the Royal Society of Chemistry and any significant issues it faces;
- safeguard the good name and promote the reputation of the Royal Society of Chemistry;
- build and maintain relations with members and stakeholder groups in order to

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## Time and commitment

Being a Royal Society of Chemistry Trustee requires significant time and commitment.

As a minimum, a trustee is expected to attend the following meetings:

Meeting	No./yr	When	Where	Duration	Role
Board of Trustees	4	July November February April	London x 3  Cambridge x 1	Span 2 days	Member

- take part in a time limited working group or advisory sub-groupings of trustees.

The tenure of a trustee is 4 years, starting from the close of the Annual General Meeting, which is normally in July each year.