

Trustee lead for Research and campaigns

What will you do?

This is in addition to the standard expected trustee roles and responsibilities.

- take an interest and gain understanding about what staff and volunteers are doing around researching client issues and campaigning for change, and how this fits in with national Citizens Advice
- keep up to date with local and national research and campaigns issues by signing up to newsletters
- help other trustees understand the importance of Research and Campaigns by making sure that Research and Campaigns activity, staffing and resources, impact and funding opportunities are on the trustee board meeting agenda
- provide a brief written update for monthly Cabinet meetings
- help trustees understand the membership requirements in relation to research and campaigns activity
- enable staff and volunteers to give presentations or updates to the trustee board regularly
- provide or arrange for a full report on research and campaigns to be presented to the trustee board at least annually
- stay connected with our local networks to promote the Research and Campaigns activity that LDCA is undertaking
- together with the CEO and Chair of trustees, represent the local Citizens Advice in relationships with key stakeholders, for example, local councillors and MP's
- chair the Research and Campaigns working group which comprises of staff and volunteers and meets monthly.
- lead on monitoring progress and developing the annual R&C development plan.

What's in it for you?

- make a real difference to people's lives
- learn about a range of areas such as benefits, debt and housing, and how problems in

these areas can affect clients

- build on valuable skills such as leadership and strategic direction
- increase your employability
- have a positive impact in your community and on broader society

And we'll reimburse expenses too.



What do you need to have?

You don't need any specific qualifications or skills but you'll need to have an interest in research and campaigns work as well as the personal skills and qualities for trustees in general.



How much time do you need to give?

Our trustee board meets quarterly, during the day (usually a Thursday) and you'll likely need to give 3 hours for attendance. These are a mixture of remote and in-person meetings. Our AGM accounts for one of these board meetings and usually takes place in mid-September. Our research and campaigns monthly meetings can be flexible regarding days and time and have been remote. We can be flexible about the time spent and how often you volunteer.



Valuing inclusion

Our volunteers come from a range of backgrounds and we particularly welcome applications from disabled people, people with physical or mental health conditions, LGBT+ and non-binary people, and people from ethnic minorities.

If you are interested in becoming trustee lead for research and campaigns and would like to discuss flexibility around location, time, 'what you will do' and how we can support you please contact us.



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