



## Fathers Network Scotland is looking for new members of our Board

Do you want to help build a father-friendly society?

Fathers Network Scotland (FNS) is seeking to appoint further members to our Non-Executive Board as we take this dynamic organisation to the next stage of its development. Following the success of Year of the Dad in 2016 – a major collaborative national campaign which involved a major step up for us as a Board and for our operational team - we require additional volunteer Non-Executive Directors to ensure future sustainability, bring strategic leadership and support our maturing as an organisation.

### **About us:**

We are a Scottish Charity (since 2010) which exists to improve the health and well-being of children and families in Scotland through the welcomed involvement of fathers and father figures.

We aim to do this through our mission to create positive cultural change by engaging, supporting and empowering dads.

We are an Edinburgh-based company (though we welcome applications and participation from all over Scotland), limited by guarantee and currently funded by the Scottish Government.

In all our activities and relationships the values that we hold are to be:

- Strong – to share what we believe in and to be the person we need to be.
- Nurturing – to create an environment where loving relationships can flourish.
- Collaborative – we work alongside other organisations where loving relationships can flourish.
- Playful – where we can be in flow when we are at work.
- Agile – to be flexible with the needs of the business and that of our own families.

### **About the role:**

The Board is key to the success of Fathers Network Scotland over the next few years. It will need to ensure that we deliver on the legacy of Year of the Dad ([www.yearofthedad.org](http://www.yearofthedad.org)) “Building a Father Friendly Society”. Board Members of the charity are responsible for ensuring the organisation is solvent, well run and well led to meet its charitable objectives. In turn, your opportunities as Board member will include:

- Enhancing your existing skills and knowledge relating to the development of an innovative and dynamic organisation in the Third Sector.
- Being part of a movement on the forefront of positive social change in Scotland for the benefit of our children, families and communities.
- Joining a family friendly organisation with a Board and Operational Team that work well together.

**About you:**

Ideally, we are seeking people with experience in one or more of the following organisations and/or technical specialities:

- Working at Board level in a charity or Third Sector organisation
- Funding particularly around social enterprise.
- Membership of an organisation that works with fathers and families.
- HR and People Development.

We welcome all enquiries from both women and men from all walks of life and the public and private sector.

**Commitment:**

- Serving on the Board for a minimum of two years. Meetings take place approximately every 4-8 weeks which are usually 2 hours in length.
- Attending an annual Board development day.
- Representing FNS at other internal and external events according to your availability.
- Participating in appropriate sub-committee groups, depending on your area of expertise. Approximately every eight weeks.
- Attending our annual AGM and any other exceptional meetings by agreement of the Board.

The total commitment is an average of 7 hours per month.

**In return we offer a highly rewarding role with the:**

- Opportunity to enhance your existing skills and knowledge relating to the development of an innovative and dynamic organisation.
- Chance to play a key role in the running and development of FNS; enabling the organisation to continue its work creating positive social change in Scotland for the benefit of our children, families and communities.

**Location:**

The majority of meetings take place at The Melting Pot, 5 Rose Street, Edinburgh EH2 2PR or in Quarter Mile Edinburgh.

**Application process:**

To apply, please send us your short CV with a covering letter to explain your interest in joining us, with interviews to take place during the week beginning 26 June 2017.

Send these to <mailto:williamcampbell113@btinternet.com>. If you would prefer an informal conversation about your interest, please call our Chair Willie Campbell on 07790 506887.