

Role of the Trustee: Sussex Cricket Foundation

Sussex Cricket Foundation (SCF) supports grass-roots cricket in all its forms across East and West Sussex and Brighton & Hove.

Its mission is that everyone in Sussex has the opportunity to play, experience and enjoy cricket, regardless of background or circumstances. Its vision is to make a difference to lives by improving access to and participation in cricket, by engaging and supporting local communities, clubs and schools.

SCF uses the power of cricket to bring about change to its local communities. Its focus is to ensure cricket is for everyone. It is responsible for the Sussex Cricket league and provides programmes for women and girls, those with a disability, walking cricket, street cricket and bringing older people together through sporting memories.

In 2026 it launched a ground-breaking programme for State School cricket across the county.

Its board consists of up to 12 trustees. Trustees are responsible for:

- ensuring high standards of governance, integrity and accountability
- monitoring performance against key performance indicators (KPIs)
- supporting and challenging the executive team, acting as a critical friend to the executive
- acting as visible and trusted ambassadors for the Foundation across Sussex and within the wider cricketing and charitable landscape
- championing diversity, equality and inclusion in governance, decision-making and delivery
- ensuring that SCF is financially stable and using resources appropriately.

Person Specification

Essential experience and attributes

- Close affinity with Sussex, whether personal, professional or cultural
- Strong interest in cricket and belief in the power of sport to create positive social change
- Good communication skills and the ability to build trust and credibility with a wide range of stakeholders
- Demonstrable commitment to diversity, equality and inclusion (EDI), and to building an open, welcoming organisation

Desirable experience

- Experience of serving a charity, school, not-for-profit or community organisation in a leadership or governance role
- Expertise, in a personal or professional capacity, of charitable fundraising
- Legal expertise
- Delivery of EDI strategies

Role details

This is an unremunerated, voluntary, non-executive position based at Hove. The trustees hold four board meetings a year, (normally in person but with an option to join on line) and trustees are also expected to sit on one of the sub-committees and attend a strategy session. We also encourage trustees to attend and support SCF events.

We welcome applications from individuals who have not previously served as a Trustee and are looking to make their first contribution at Board level. Appropriate support will be provided.

The Sussex Cricket Foundation is a registered charity (No. 1162649) and it is a company (No. 09592885) registered in England and Wales, with its registered office at The County Ground, Eaton Road, Hove, East Sussex BN3 3AN.

It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Sussex Cricket Limited (company number IP30143R) which is the registered Person with Significant Control.