

NCT TRUSTEE ROLE DESCRIPTION



The duties of a Trustee of the National Childbirth Trust are:

1. Together with all other Trustees, to take overall responsibility for the direction and control of the charity by:
 - setting clear strategy, policy and long term direction, and reviewing performance against agreed goals and targets
 - agreeing clear delegation of authority and responsibility for the charity's day to day management and administration to the CEO
 - taking decisions on those matters reserved to the Board.
2. Together with all other Trustees, to ensure that the charity complies with its memorandum and articles of association, with charity and company law, and with any other legal and regulatory requirements relevant to NCT's activities.
3. Together with all other Trustees, to ensure that at all times and across all activities the charity acts within and pursues its charitable objects, and delivers the charitable outcomes for the public benefit for which it has been set up¹.
4. Together with all other Trustees, to ensure that the assets and resources of the charity (including its money, property, and reputation) are safeguarded and protected; and that the charity is and will remain solvent.
5. Together with all other Trustees, to set policies for the proper management of the charity's staff and volunteers; to appoint the Chief Executive and review his or her performance.
6. To act reasonably and prudently in all matters relating to the charity, using any knowledge and skill he or she may have to help the Board of Trustees or its Committees reach sound decisions, obtaining appropriate professional advice where required.
7. To contribute fully and actively to the collective work and decision-making of the Board of Trustees, including serving on at least one Board Committee.
8. To act with integrity; and at all times in the best interests of the charity as a whole, and of the charity's present and future beneficiaries.
9. To avoid situations where any personal or family interests or loyalties may conflict with those of the charity, and comply with the Code of Conduct for Trustees and the Conflict of Interest Policy.

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¹ NCT's charitable objects are:

- To preserve and protect the mental and physical health of pregnant women by, but not exclusively, the provision of physical, emotional and practical support during pregnancy and childbirth
- To preserve and protect the mental and physical health of parents and their children during the postnatal period; and
- To advance the education of the public including health professionals in childbirth and parenthood