

**Trustees  
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# **Chair of the Finance Committee**

## **Candidate Information**

**All Saints Educational Trust**  
April 2022



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# About Us

## **WHO WE ARE:**

The All Saints Educational Trust exists to help make a lasting improvement to the welfare and future prospects of individuals and communities, both at home and overseas, through the promotion of better teaching, particularly of Religious Education and Home Economics, inspired by a practical tradition of Christian belief and Church of England-sponsored teacher training.

## **WHAT WE DO:**

In fulfilling this vision, the Trust will give practical support to individuals and organisations in the encouragement of teacher education and in the pursuit of innovative professional development - particularly in the disciplines of Religious Education, Home Economics, food and nutrition education, and public health promotion - from the standpoint of Christian insights and life values.

## **ABOUT THE TRUST:**

The All Saints Educational Trust is a charitable Trust that makes awards annually to students and organisations. We are a member of the Association of Church College Trusts.

Our main purposes are to:

- Help increase the number of new teachers with Qualified Teacher Status
- Improve the skills and qualifications of experienced teachers
- Encourage research that can assist teachers in their work
- Support specifically the teaching of Religious Studies and Home Economics and related areas - such as the promotion of public health and nutrition, both at home and overseas.



# Some of Our Projects...

## The British Nutrition Foundation

The project to publish the Characteristics of good practice in teaching food and nutrition education guide was designed to support trainee, new, non-specialist and more experienced food and nutrition teachers across the UK. An online course was made freely available on nutrition in October 2019. Over 700 teachers registered for the course. A similar guide was developed for primary teaching and published in April 2020. An online course is being developed and will be made freely available to 2,000 Initial Teacher Training providers, trainee, new and more experienced teachers.



## SMWW-Tanzania

This project is for Food and Nutrition Education Awareness Training in Rural and Remote Schools in Tanzania through Social-Inclusion Perspectives and has concentrated on school children, teachers and parents from the pastoralist and peasant communities in the Mara region, with the aim of reducing school dropouts, increase academic performance, disseminate information on food and nutrition education and to reduce or eliminate malnutrition among children not in schools. Positive outcomes have been achieved in that school dropout has decreased to 50%. Food and nutrition education has had a high impact on classroom performance which has improved significantly. There has been a reduction in the stigmatization of children with disabilities. Reliable information on food and nutrition has been distributed by booklets, leaflets and pamphlets. More than 600 printed materials were distributed. There has been an increased interest in studying food sciences in secondary and high schools. The project will continue to be funded in 2020-2021.



## Wulugu Project

Wulugu reported that our award had assisted with their work to provide and improve vocational training in Northern Ghana. Schools re-opened in January 2021. Wulugu were concerned that after a long period of closure many families would regress to the traditional pattern of girls staying at home to care for siblings, help with food production and carrying water. Wulugu have carefully monitored the situation so that none were unable to go to school because they spent so many hours carrying water or were exhausted. The current main activity is to sink mechanical bore holes for communities that have never had clean water and have relied on stagnant ponds. To date Wulugu have made clean water available to approximately 100,000 people. A bore hole can serve up to 4,000 people. They make a real difference in reducing traditional diseases and more time is available to girls, so the risk of missing school is much lower. Wulugu have plans for more bore holes. ASET have agreed funding for a further three years for 2021/22; 2022/23 and 2023/24.



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# Testimonies

Our scholars will continue to bring great satisfaction and distinction -both to themselves and without undue exaggeration, the Trust. This is what our scholars say about their achievements and about the part played by All Saints Educational Trust in helping them to secure success or to take their lives forward in a different and more positive direction:

**I have returned to Ghana for some time now and wish to express my profound gratitude for the immeasurable support given me before, during and after my course of study in the UK. I must confess that your sponsorship has contributed immensely to my personal and education development. I cannot express my heartfelt gratitude. I am full of praise for ASET.**

[Ebenezer, Ghana]

**I want to sincerely appreciate ASET for sponsoring the Master's programme (MPH). Words are not sufficient to describe my gratitude. Thank and God bless you.**

[Ibraheem, Nigeria]

**Let me start by saying how much I appreciate the help of the Trust. I do not believe I would have been able to attend the course without the scholarship. I am now teaching at a Church of England school in London and so clearly the course has been useful.**

[Henry, UK]

**I would like to extend my gratitude to All Saints Educational Trust for the scholarship that enabled me to pursue the MSc. Global Health Nutrition. The experience and opportunity was one of its kind and boosted my confidence.**

[Tendai, Malawi]



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# Role Description

The All Saints Educational Trust (ASET) seeks to recruit a Chair of the Finance Committee, to take office following the retirement of the existing Chair in April 2022.

The Chair of Finance communicates frequently with our Wealth Managers at UBS based in Broadgate – who advise on all aspects of our investment portfolio, managed according to ESG principles, on a worldwide basis.

Our finances are simple in the sense that we have funds invested, currently managed by UBS, and give away our income and, within prudent bounds, some element of capital appreciation. We invest on a total return basis. Our investment portfolio includes quoted and unquoted investments. We own a small City Office block which earns rental income, generating a surplus for charitable distribution along with the funds generated in the investment portfolio.

The individual appointed will be expected to lead Finance Committee meetings which are held twice a year, attend and report to the full Trust meetings held in London twice a year and participate in the Chairs of Committee meetings and discussions. Some of these meetings might continue online but formal Trust meetings will be in person in London.

## **The ASET Board:**

The board consists of 10 Trustees from a range of relevant professional backgrounds, all supporting our mission of helping people to become better teachers, specifically by post graduate teacher education in the fields of:

- 1) Religious Education or
- 2) Food, Community Health and Nutrition

The Trust also makes Corporate Awards fulfilling the same objective.  
The person appointed must demonstrate a willingness to engage with Trustees in this mission.

A link to the Annual Report is provided below, which give the history and further details of the Trust, how we make awards and how we manage our finances.

<https://www.aset.org.uk/about.html#report>



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# Person Specification

The person appointed will have professional qualifications (FCA, CIMA) with Executive Board experience.

At a minimum, have had several years of general financial management, with experience of chairing meetings at a senior level involving delegated powers.

Experience as a Charity Trustee is essential, preferably of a grant making charity with significant assets under management.

Ideally, we also seek experience of commercial property investment.

A proven track record of strategic thinking and ability to see the whole picture, as well as close attention to detail

A solid understanding, and knowledge of, Charity law and Governance

Professional and diplomatic with excellent interpersonal, networking and influencing skills; able to build and maintain good working relationships with a wide range of people

Adept at building and maintaining effective working relationships and working collaboratively with a diverse range of stakeholders, including working with non-executive or charitable boards

Strong general management skills, including team leadership, experience in budget management and the organisation and chairing of meetings

Excellent planning and organisation skills, including the ability to meet deadlines and work under pressure

Highly numerate, with an excellent knowledge of budgeting/financial reporting and ability to analyse complex information and figures



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# How to Apply

To express your interest in the role, please submit the following:

- An up-to-date CV with details of two referees. We will not contact them without your permission.
- A supporting statement that outlines your motivation for applying and addresses the criteria in the Person Specification.

All applications are being handled by our recruitment partner, Trustees Unlimited (part of the Russam group). Please upload your application [HERE](#).

If you have any difficulty uploading your application or if you would like to have an informal and confidential discussion about the role, please contact Melissa Baxter:

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**Closing date for applications: Friday 27th May 2022**

**Preliminary discussions with Trustees Unlimited: Week commencing 30th May 2022**

**Interview with ASET: Tuesday 14th June 2022**

*We look forward to receiving your application.*



# Trustees Unlimited

We would be delighted to be given the opportunity to work with you and are confident that we can identify some excellent candidates. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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