



Queenborough Fishery Trust

Vacancy for Co-optative Trustee

About the opportunity

Queenborough Fishery Trust is seeking applications for three voluntary co-optative Trustees for a term of office to run to 31 January 2026. The Trust would particularly welcome applications from individuals with a knowledge and enthusiasm for the Trust's area of benefit (Isle of Sheppey, Faversham and Sittingbourne) and also to helping local charitable causes.

About Queenborough Fishery Trust

Queenborough Fishery Trust is a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation (registration number 1178117) dedicated to helping poor, sick or disabled people who live in the Trust's area of benefit (Isle of Sheppey, Faversham, Sittingbourne and surrounding villages) and also to helping provide local recreational, leisure-time and educational facilities. The charity's trustees are also allowed to make grants for other charitable purposes as they see fit.

Queenborough Fishery Trust was first established in 1859 and has a long and fascinating history. The current Trust is made up of two nominative Trustees, appointed by Queenborough Town Council, and eight co-optative Trustees. Further information is available on our website: queenboroughfisherytrust.org

What are we looking for?

Trustees must live within the Trust's area of benefit.

Expressions of interest can be emailed to admin@queenboroughfisherytrust.org.

We will then send you a short application form to complete. You will be required to outline any potential conflicts of interest, including any other Trustee positions you hold or any business-related matters (which may include land ownership) within the Trust's area of benefit. You must also confirm that you are not disqualified from acting as a Trustee.

The closing date for applications is Friday 19 November 2021. Applications will be considered by the Trust Board on 18 January 2022. Applicants will be informed of the Trust's decision by 21 January 2022.

Practical Considerations

Trustees would be required to attend a minimum of six meetings a year commencing at 5:30pm. The position is voluntary, for term of office ending 31 January 2026; travel expenses can be claimed. Trust meetings are currently conducted as a mixture of Zoom and in-person meetings. Meetings are rotated between venues in Queenborough, Sittingbourne and Faversham.

Outside of formal meetings the majority of Trust business is conducted via email. Trustees are required to have access to a personal email account which they would be willing to use for Trust business. We currently use video-conferencing for our Zoom meetings but it is possible to telephone into the meeting if a Trustee doesn't have access to a computer / webcam.

Trustees will be expected to provide a photograph for the QFT website. The Trust is required to publish personal data including name, address and email on the Charity Commission website.