

A Letter from the Board

We are proud and honoured to be a part of the Donaldson Trust; this truly is an ambitious and inspiring organisation which never loses focus on its purpose. Working with a committed and dedicated team, as Trustees we make our own contribution to the success of this organisation through support, governance and guidance.

The organisation's ambition is to be at the forefront of supporting and developing policy for children and young people with neurodiversities in Scotland, and to deliver every day in a way which ensures it is focused on positive outcomes and can continue to increase the range of support and development opportunities offered.

In the words of our Chief Executive:

“Through collaborations and partnerships, we can give children and young people a voice; and help them find their place in the world.”

The approach is based on unwavering attention on the child or young person, and through person-centred planning, delivering the appropriate support and development, at the time which is relevant. Everyone is committed to making sure that all voices of service users and stakeholders are heard and woven into individual plans, and everyone strives to make the organisation sustainable, ensuring that it is here now, and in the future, to offer support and development to those children and young people who benefit from our services.

Each of the Trustees brings their own experience and expertise, and although we focus on governance, effectiveness and efficiencies, being a Trustee at the Donaldson Trust is more than just checks, balances and business plans. By joining us as Chair, you will be able to directly contribute to people's lives, and not just the lives of our children and young people, but mums, dads, sisters, brothers, aunties and uncles – this is a Chair role where your enthusiasm will reap genuine intrinsic rewards.

Our previous Chair Carol Kirk said:

“It has been a great privilege and an honour to have been part of the Donaldson journey over the last few years. It has been a pleasure to work with the Chief Executive, dedicated staff team and an enthusiastic and participative Board to build services for young people. It has been an exciting and challenging time but seeing the success of Donaldson's in tailoring services to meet individual aspirations and needs of young people, has been hugely rewarding.”

Our vision is to be the most respected organisation in Scotland for the services offered to people with neurodiversities – if you want to be part of this, learn more about us <https://vimeo.com/534609417/24178b3007>