



The MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust

Trustee Vacancies (Voluntary)

The MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust (DPT) was set up in 1998 in order to provide specific charitable benefits. The Trust's charitable purposes are to advance the heritage of the historic castles and property historically belonging to the family of the MacDougalls of Dunollie, Oban, Argyll, hereditary chiefs of the Clan MacDougall, and to preserve and retain in Scotland the artefacts, paintings and others also historically belonging to the MacDougalls of Dunollie, and to advance education through public display and interpretation of these historic assets.

These charitable purposes are delivered in the main, via Dunollie Museum Castle & Grounds. www.dunollie.org

Role Overview

The MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust is seeking a new generation of Trustees to help shape the future of its main asset, Dunollie Museum, Castle and Grounds, a world class heritage site on the outskirts of Oban.

The duties of the Trustees include:

- Support and provide advice on MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust's purpose, vision, goals and activities.
- Approve operational strategies and policies and monitor and evaluate their implementation.
- Oversee the MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust's financial plans and budgets and monitor and evaluate progress.
- Ensure the effective and efficient administration of the organisation.
- Ensure that key risks are being identified, monitored and controlled effectively.
- Review and approve the MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust's financial statements.
- Provide support and challenge to the General Manager in the exercise of their delegated authority and affairs.
- Contribute to regular reviews of the MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust's own governance.
- Attend Board meetings adequately prepared to contribute to discussions.



- Use independent judgment, acting legally and in good faith to promote and protect the MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust's interests, to the exclusion of their own personal and/or any third-party interests.
- Contribute to the broader promotion of the MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust's objects, aims and reputation by applying your skills, knowledge and contacts.
- Under charity law the Trustees of the MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust have the ultimate responsibility for directing the affairs of Dunollie Museum, Castle & Grounds, and ensuring that it is solvent, well-run and delivering the charitable outcomes for which it has been set-up. In law the Trustees have three particular duties - compliance, care and prudence.

Who are we looking for?

This is a unique opportunity for you to be at the heart of this organisation supporting heritage and the local community, and we are particularly interested to hearing from those with experience in:

- Heritage Management
- Academia, particularly in relation to Scottish History and Heritage
- Fundraising and Philanthropy
- Law

Other Essential Skills and Experience:

- Willingness and ability to understand and accept their responsibilities and liabilities as trustees and to act in the best interests of the organisation.
- Ability to think creatively and strategically, exercise good, independent judgement and work effectively as a board member.
- Effective communication skills and willingness to participate actively in discussion.
- A strong personal commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion.
- Enthusiasm for our vision and mission.
- Willingness to lead according to our values: *Education, Accessibility, Vision, Passion and Integrity.*

Terms of Appointment

Terms of office

- Board Members are appointed without a time limit, but no less than one third of members must step down at each AGM. Trustees can then be reappointed.
- This is a voluntary position, but reasonable expenses will be reimbursed.



Time commitment (Estimated at 2-3 days per month)

- Attending 8 Board meetings annually. Currently meetings are held remotely.
- Attending an annual day strategy session.
- Optional membership of sub-committees, including finance, fundraising etc.

Applications

For an informal discussion about the role, please email Emma Sutcliffe, General Manager emma@dunollie.org, who will put you in touch with one of the current Board Members.

To apply, please submit a CV and Covering Letter setting out your suitability. Applications should be returned to The MacDougall of Dunollie Preservation Trust, North Wing, Dunollie House, Oban PA34 5TT or e-mailed to info@dunollie.org. **Deadline: 1 December 2022.**