



In conversation with trustees and charities: successes, challenges and lessons to share

Monday 9 November 2026

Join us for a panel discussion and networking event to kick off Trustees' Week and celebrate the vital contribution of trustees across the sector.

The event will feature a trustee panel from a number of charities whose focus centres around education in the widest sense of the word.

We'll be discussing a range of topics from how they deliver their programmes and increase support and engagement, to managing safeguarding, risk and finances. Through an open and engaging conversation, panellists will share both their successes and challenges, offering valuable perspectives on the realities of charity leadership.

Following the panel discussion, there will be an audience Q&A and the opportunity to meet and network with fellow trustees over lunch.

Date: Monday 9 November 2026

Time: 11.00am - 11.30am - registration with tea and coffee
11.30am - 12.45pm - panel discussion and Q&A
12.45pm - 1.30pm - lunch and networking

Venue: **Penningtons Manches Cooper LLP**
125 Wood Street
London
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If you have any queries, please email [Kelly Ray](#) .

Meet the panel



Virginia Henley
Partner, head of charities
**Penningtons Manches
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Melanie Bramwell-Popham
Founding trustee
Head for Change



Jordan Letts
CEO
**Northampton Saints
Foundation**



Chris Henley KC
Trustee
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