

Nomination Form for the Board of Trustees

I (name) Sarah McConnell

Signed: Sarah McConnell

Date: 5th November 2021

Why I wish to serve as a Trustee of TDC:

Please outline, in maximum 150 words, why you wish to serve as a Trustee of TDC.

I am a chartered accountant by training and after 20 years working in an investment bank, my intention has always been to choose a new career path that allows me to use my skills in a more personal and meaningful environment and to give back to my local community. TDC is a charity I am very interested in as it works with the community to tackle inequality and to help all areas of society, especially relevant following the COVID pandemic.

I feel that I would fit into the charity's culture whilst also being able to use my accountancy and reporting skills to help improve everyday tasks and processes and help the charity fulfil its aims and strategy. Above all I would want to feel part of the compassion and enthusiasm that are part of the charity's identity.

What I will offer as a Trustee of TDC:

Please outline, in maximum 350 words, your relevant knowledge, skills and experience and the specific area you would offer to lead on behalf of the Board (Please see Trustee roles document).

My qualification as a chartered accountant and previous career in Finance would help me to act as Treasurer to the Board.

I have performed many finance roles both within accounting practice and the insurance and banking industries. I have experience of reporting both internally and externally and to stakeholders at all management levels.

I worked at Deutsche Bank for 20 years until November 2020 and during that time I held several roles. In my most recent role, I was responsible for the development and coordination of Treasury's non-financial risk governance framework with focus on supporting and reporting the remediation of audit findings, operational risk events and enhancement of the new product approval process. I was also global portfolio owner of all the policy portfolio across Treasury and was responsible for ensuring that all policies were reviewed and updated on a timely basis and in line with regulation.

In my previous roles I have extensive experience of providing key management reporting to senior management including current financial information and metrics and also forward-looking budgets and forecasts to enable business decisions to be made in line with the company's strategy. I have also been involved in several projects in response to rapidly changing environments such as implementing a key change in month-end processes. I have been involved in risk reporting including tracking, reporting and escalation of operational risk events.

In all my previous roles, I have been involved in charity fundraising and social projects. I have also been a mentor to new graduates who have joined the organisation and been part of the networks to promote diversity and inclusion across the divisions and management levels.