

Corfe Castle Charities – Nominee

Two of the trustees' nominations (by the Parish Council) terms end in September & October 2023. The trustees are Mr Nigel Dragon & Mr Michael Bond who will have completed a four-year term and both are happy, if re-nominated, to continue for a further term. The current trustees would very much support them continuing as trustees.

Recommendation: To approve the re-nomination of Mr Nigel Dragon & Mr Michael Bond as trustees to the Corfe Castle Charities.

Email from Mandy 13-07-23

"Regarding councillors' queries, my explanation would be that it is more about choosing suitable individuals, with the relevant skills needed within the charity, rather than representing the council as such. It also makes sense to have at least one parish councillor as a trustee if possible, so that any relevant information can be passed between the two organisations, rather than there being any influence from either organisation over the other.

In our scheme/governing document it states that four trustees will be nominated by Corfe Castle Parish Council, and I quote, ***"The person appointed may be but need not be a member of the appointing council"***

This is backed up by the vast amount of information online at "The essential trustee: what you need to know, what you need to do - GOV.UK([www.gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-essential-trustee-what-you-need-to-know-cc3/the-essential-trustee-what-you-need-to-know-what-you-need-to-do))" found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-essential-trustee-what-you-need-to-know-cc3/the-essential-trustee-what-you-need-to-know-what-you-need-to-do>Here's

Here are a few excerpts:

"It's important [for trustees] to listen to the views and perspectives of members, beneficiaries and other bodies with an interest in your charity. Having people as trustees is one way of obtaining these views. ***But all trustees, regardless of how they are appointed, must act solely in the interests of the charity; it's not their role to act on behalf of any particular group.*** They must also manage conflicts of interest, including conflicts of loyalty to their appointing body."

(Regarding criteria / eligibility):

"2.1 Before you start - make sure you are eligible to be a charity trustee

You must be at least 16 years old to be a trustee of a charity that is a company or a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO), or at least 18 to be a trustee of any other charity.

You must be properly appointed following the procedures and any restrictions in the charity's governing document.

You must not act as a trustee if you are disqualified, unless authorised to do so by a waiver from the Commission. The reasons for disqualification are shown in the disqualifying reasons table and include:

- being bankrupt (undischarged) or having an individual voluntary arrangement (IVA)
- having an unspent conviction for certain offences (including any that involve dishonesty or deception)
- being on the sex offenders' register

You can read the automatic disqualification guidance for charities which explains the disqualification rules in more detail.

There are further restrictions for charities that work with children or adults at risk.

See section 3 for more information."

I hope that explains things sufficiently for the councillors' but please come back to me if they have any further queries."