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Dear Trustee Applicant

Thank you for your interest in Autism Hampshire. We are an independent charity that has been going since the mid-1960s when it was founded by Mr & Mrs Philip White and other parents of children with autism. We find ourselves at a very exciting stage for the charity and are seeking a range of new trustees to take forward the strategy and future for the organisation which, thanks to the work of the current trustees is well positioned to take place.

Over the years, the charity has evolved in the nature of services, but our main vision is still to develop and deliver high quality services that meet the diverse needs of people on the autism spectrum in Hampshire and the surrounding area. We work in a variety of ways with people on the autistic spectrum and are looking to developing further our current services, but our ambition doesn't stop there. The Board of Trustees and I, along with the Senior Management Team, feel that we need to increase the reach of our vital work and build on new areas such as neurodiversity to both ensure a sustainable organisation, and more importantly ensure that the services we provide reach the appropriate people. The charity is one that has always had and still has very strong values with trustees that care deeply and passionately for the work and vision of the Senior Management Team who we rely on to deliver.

As a trustee, you will be a member of our board of trustees; responsible for working alongside the other trustees to aid the strategic direction of the organisation, ensuring sound governance and staying true to the charitable objects of Autism Hampshire.

I would invite you to read through the accompanying information in this pack and thank you again for taking the time to learn more about us. I hope to hear from you soon.

With best wishes

*Jonathan*

**Jonathan Hardie, Chair of Trustees Autism Hampshire**

