

ICSA publishes new guidance on how to get the most out of charity trustees

8 August 2008: The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (ICSA) has today published a revised edition to its popular best practice guide on the recruitment, appointment and induction of charity trustees. Charity trustees are core to the success of a charity and provide direction, strategy and vision for the organisation. It is therefore crucial to the success of the organisation that the trustees who are recruited are able to provide the appropriate range of skills, experience and knowledge to help the charity fulfill its objectives. The guide has been written to provide those responsible for the governance of a charity with best practice guidelines on how to recruit the most suitable trustees and how to support their development so that they continue to add value to the organisation during their period of service.

Louise Thomson, Head of Policy Not-for-Profit comments: 'Trustees are responsible for the overall direction of a charity and it is therefore essential that trustees are recruited in a manner that is appropriate for the charity. This guide will help organisations to attract trustees with the key skills and competencies required to fulfil their charitable purpose and be representative of the community it serves'

A copy of the new best practice guide can be obtained for £15 from the ICSA Information Centre on 020 7612 7035 or by e-mailing informationcentre@icsa.co.uk

Editors Notes

The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (ICSA) is the qualifying body for company secretaries and a leading authority on corporate governance. It publishes guidance notes and best practice guides and through its subsidiaries provides events, information and training, boardroom performance evaluation and dedicated software. The ICSA has 36,000 members worldwide and is represented in over 70 countries.