



SCOTTISH FARM LAND TRUST

Scottish Farm Land Trust aims to increase access to land for agroecological farming in Scotland

Board Members, Scottish Farm Land Trust

[Scottish Farm Land Trust](#) (SFLT) is a new organisation established in 2015, seeking to increase access to land for agroecological farming. Access to land is one of the key barriers experienced by people wanting to start farming using agroecological principles. We are inspired by successful models such as [Terre de Liens](#) in France and the [Ecological Land Cooperative](#) in England. These organisations purchase land using capital raised through community share offers, and then rent out that land on long-term affordable leases to agroecological farm businesses. As a Community Benefit Society we are democratically led by our members and operate using co-operative principles. Following our successful crowdfunding campaign to enable us to employ our first staff member, we are entering a new and exciting phase of our development. We are therefore seeking motivated and experienced people to join as Board Members of the SFLT.

We are looking for people who are committed to, and passionate about, agroecological farming. Ideally, you will have experience of serving on Boards and committees, however we would also be open to accepting applications from those new to sitting on boards and looking to gain such experience. We are looking for people who have excellent communication and collaboration skills, organisational abilities, be forward-thinking, proactive and enthusiastic, and bring excellent interpersonal and problem-solving skills. Demonstrable understanding and experience of governance and risk management processes would be an asset. The expected time commitment would be approximately 8-12 hours per month.

We are particularly looking for people to take on the following roles / with relevant experience:

- Secretary - this role is important in enabling the SFLT to discharge its constitutional duties. You will work with Board members to provide effective management and transparency of the SFLT's governance arrangements.
- Experience in land transfers from a legal perspective
- Experience in agroecological farming

To express an interest in the role please email Roz Corbett at contact@scottishfarmlandtrust.org detailing your experience and reasons for wanting to join the board. We will then be in contact to arrange a follow up meeting or discussion over the phone.