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## *Ledbury Poetry Seeks Chair of Trustees.*

### *Could you lead one of the country's most important poetry organisations into its next exciting phase?*

Ledbury Poetry is the leading organisation in the UK for all things poetry.

As an Arts Council England National Portfolio Organisation, Ledbury Poetry encourages creativity and the exploration of language in all its forms for everyone, whatever their age or background. Over the past five years, the organisation has grown far beyond its origins as a ten-day summer showcase. It now encompasses exciting year-round education and outreach programmes, online international reading groups, weekly evening events and fabulous all-day workshops in the school holidays.

It is deeply rooted in the community of Ledbury - a place with strong historical, poetical associations with Elizabeth Barrett Browning, John Masefield, Eleanor Farjeon, Rupert Brooke, Edward Thomas and Robert Frost- yet international in its scope and reach. It showcases poetry from across the globe and its ground-breaking Ledbury Critics Programme leads the way on diversity and inclusion in the publication, promotion and reception of contemporary poetry.

This is an important moment for the charity as it works to establish The Poetry House, a non-metropolitan centre for the development of the artform, based in the historic Elizabeth Barret Browning Institute, Ledbury. We are putting Ledbury on the map as England's pre-eminent Poetry Town. We are redefining our future, and that of the artform, as part of a growing national and international network of inspirational poetry places.

We are seeking a **Chair of Trustees** to lead the organisation on the next stage of this exciting journey. You will provide effective and inclusive leadership. You will have the time, energy, and passion necessary to help us realise our

ambitions and fulfil the Charity's mission. You will be an effective ambassador and advocate with our supporters, patrons and stakeholders.

This is a voluntary role but Ledbury Poetry will reimburse all reasonable travel or out-of-pocket expenses.

If you are interested in joining us and helping to shape our future then please visit:

<https://ledburypoetry.org.uk/jobs-and-opportunities>

Download the Application Pack which contains information about the duties and responsibilities of being Ledbury Poetry's Chair of Trustees, together with how to apply, and an Equal Opportunities form.

Deadline for application: Monday 27 November 2023.

Interviews: Thursday 14 December 2023.