

## Role of a Member

The Circle Trust is a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT). Like all MATs the Trustees are overseen by Members. The trust will have between 3 and 5 members.

Members are akin to the shareholders of a company and play a very important role in overseeing governance arrangements; however, they are not directly involved in the running of the Trust and will meet less frequently than trustees and advisers. The Members have three main functions:<sup>1</sup>

1. Ultimate control over the academy trust, with the ability to appoint and remove trustees
2. The right to amend the trust's articles of association.
3. Responsibility for the trust achieving its charitable objectives (including financial.)

The Chair of the Trustee Boards; however, they

Being self-reflective, encouraging innovation and driven to improve further

