## trustee top

## with Karl Kemp



I am a trustee with *Stromness*Shopping Week and I have been assisting for 3 years now



What does your organisation do?

Stromness Shopping Week is a community based event helping local shops, tourism and giving the community a week of fun







I am currently company secretary

Why are you a trustee?

I became involved to meet people

What skills do trustees need?

What do

you do?

Trustees come with all different skills to bring the community together but must be able to dedicate time

What's the best thing about being a trustee?

The people and how grateful the community are for having the event run each year

What's the worst thing

You could always do with more time to get things done, and holding meetings can be tricky if everyone also holds down jobs or has other commitments

Is being a trustee what you imagined? Any surprises?

It has been great fun but it surprised me how committed and passionate folk are, which can be both a great help but also sometimes a little difficult

What advice would you give someone thinking of becoming a trustee?

Do it, you will find out you have skills you were not aware of and its great to feel a sense of pride when things go well



Are you looking for new trustees? Stromness Shopping Week are always looking for new blood to get involved, new ideas and new enthusiasm are great to have. We would welcome people who can give time or skills to the event and you can email infoastromnessshoppingweek.co.uk for more information

## Want to find out more about volunteering in Orkney?

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