

APPOINTMENT DETAILS

THE READING AGENCY

JOB TITLE: CEO

Job Reference: EADAXA

Closing Date: Monday 11th March 2019

Following the announcement of the retirement of Sue Wilkinson MBE, the Board of Trustees is now seeking exceptional candidates for the role of Chief Executive for The Reading Agency. This is a fantastic opportunity to lead a well-run and ambitious organisation through its next chapter.

The Reading Agency is a national charity that works every day towards a world where everyone is reading their way to a better life. This means everyone - from toddlers to children to young adults, prisoners and older people - irrespective of age or economic background. The charity believes that reading can tackle life's big challenges, from social mobility to mental health - and is determined that no one is left behind as the team strives towards realising this vision. The charity works closely with its partners to deliver programmes to more than a million people per year, from the Summer Reading Challenge for children to Reading Well and Quick Reads for adults. As an organisation, The Reading Agency believes that it doesn't matter what you read, as long as you read.

Candidates will need to be an inspiring strategic leader able to develop and deliver long term strategic direction for the charity. This is an externally facing role and communication, partnership building and stakeholder management skills will be key. The CEO will need to be a compelling ambassador for The Reading Agency, as well as engaging with the media and playing a central role in fundraising. The post-holder will help the organisation maintain its focus and energy and ensure the charity is well run. Candidates will ideally bring leadership experience gained in a mission driven organisation and have a track record of planning and delivering creative projects or programmes.

Saxton Bampfylde Ltd is acting as an employment agency advisor to The Reading Agency on this appointment. For further information about the role, including details about how to apply, please visit www.saxbam.com/appointments using reference **EADAXA**. Alternatively telephone +44 (0)20 7227 0880 (during office hours). Applications should be received by noon on **Monday 11th March 2019**.