

TREASURER DESIGNATE - ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

Dear Fellow,

Thank you for considering standing for election to Council as Treasurer Designate.

Council

Council Members are the Society's Trustees. Our trustees have collective responsibility for overseeing the Society's purpose, values, vision, and strategy. They take the big strategic decisions and make sure we are carrying out the Society's purposes for the public benefit, acting in the charity's best interests, managing our resources responsibly, being accountable, and acting in accordance with the rules.

Council generally meets five times a year, usually on a Wednesday 14:00-17:00. Most meetings are held virtually and some are hybrid. Papers are circulated a week in advance. In addition, there is a one-day residential meeting, usually late September, to discuss major strategic issues.

All members of Council also serve on one of the standing committees – External Relations, Finance & Planning, Professional & Chartership, Publications & Information and Science. Standing committees usually meet three or four times a year virtually.

The typical time commitment is eight to ten days annually for ordinary members of Council. From time to time, Council members may be invited to join other committees or short-term working groups.

Treasurer Designate

The **Treasurer** is responsible for the general supervision of all matters relating to the finances of the Society as Council may require, including its accounts, real estate, investments, and funds, and ensuring that these are reported appropriately to Council and the Fellows.

Council will consider all nominations received for **Treasurer Designate** and will nominate a suitably qualified and experienced person to go forward for election by Fellows.

For the first year after their election is formalised by the AGM in June 2026, the successful candidate will fulfil the role of **Treasurer Designate**, attending Council and Finance & Planning Committee in an observer capacity, alongside the current Treasurer, but not serving during that time as a Trustee or Treasurer.

The Treasurer normally serves for three years but may serve for a maximum of two consecutive terms.

The Treasurer is Chair of the Finance and Planning Committee.

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

Your nomination requires a supporting statement. This should be 500 words and should contain:

- Why you want to serve on Council and what you believe you can contribute (we would encourage you to consider the [Strategy and Values](#) in preparing your statement),
- Current and other relevant roles, e.g. if you have moved from academe to industry,
- Number of years Fellowship of the Society,
- If applicable, membership of any of the Society's Committees,
- If applicable, specialist groups membership, or of other geoscience related organisations, and particular role if relevant,
- Qualifications e.g. Chartered Geologist, Chartered Scientist or other professional designation.