Welcome to the twelfth issue of the Geological Society’s e-Newsletter for Chartered Fellows.

Published five times a year following each election of new Chartered Fellows, this Newsletter is to inform the Chartered Fellowship and also to gain their input into what information they would like to see. Information of general interest to the Chartered Fellows that perhaps might not reach the pages of Geoscientist is welcome.

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Newly elected Chartered Geologists

Elections to CGeol

A total of 30 new CGeols have been elected plus 2 reinstatements and one by reciprocity with AAPG. Of these 9 were by the 20+ years’ experience route.

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Elections to CSci

| Oli Mills       | Nicholas Martin Bray |

Application Numbers

These continue to increase and we have had some 189 applications in 2016 compared with 152 in 2015.

The 20+ years’ experience route continues to attract applications and there are 13 of these for the November interviews.

Applications to become a Scrutineer are always welcome, so that we can keep from overloading those presently being used. If you have a number of years’ experience post Chartership then you are eligible to join the list. Some people may be on the list but have yet to be asked to act. This is because they either live too far away from here we are doing the interviews or that their expertise has yet to match that of an applicant in their area. Having said that, if anyone feels that I have overlooked them I would be very pleased to hear from them and see what can be done.

The support of all of those on the Scrutineers list is very much appreciated and is most valuable to the Society as the numbers of professionally active Fellows continues to grow.

Missing CGeols

We have lost contact with the following 20 CGeols who may have moved away, changed jobs or retired etc. If anyone is in contact with any of them then please ask them to contact me to let me know (Chartership@geolsoc.org.uk) if they wish to continue as CGeol and to update their contact details.

Dominica Baird
Marcus John Boneham
Obinna Chudi
Nathan Joel Cummins
David Oliver Frayne
Amanda Kelway Geake
Ian David Grey

Julian Andrew Rodney Harms
Alan Helmore
Curtis Allen Kraemer
Philip David Lane
Andrew Mark Lee
Terry Lee Leyenberger
Simon Jonathan Miller

Stephen Kenneth Newton
Brighid Ellis O’Dochartaigh
Andrew Parker
Christopher Pressdee
Russell Douglas Scott
Iain Thomas Turkington

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Sponsors and Applications Misunderstandings

We are still getting some applications that do not directly address the Chartership criteria but appear to focus on competency in their employment. The focus has to be on competency as a geologist and I hope that those of you sponsoring applicants will make this clear to them when you read the application.

In addition the Application form allows for up to 3 areas of activity to be indicated. These are not to indicate a claim for competency in all but are there to help the Society in the selection of appropriate Scrutineers. It is in the Interview (criterion vii) where the competency boundaries are discussed and the area covered by Chartership is determined. Working outside that area of competency is a breach of the Society’s Code of Conduct unless it is covered by added training or supervision until the additional competency is acquired. Geologists whose job title given by their employer as Geotechnical Engineer as a catch all title should make it abundantly clear to clients as to whether or not they have any engineering skills.

Accreditation of Training Schemes

The Training Scheme for Jacobs (UK) Ltd has been reviewed and has been Accredited. This brings the number of Schemes accredited to twenty.

LAM Geotechnics In Hong Kong has expressed an interest in submitting their training scheme and Gammon Construction will be applying for re-accreditation of theirs.

RoGEP

We now have an agreement with RoGEP to simplify the application process for Professional Grade within 12 months of becoming Chartered.

This revised procedure reduces administration and also reduces the time between award of CGeol and the subsequent award of RoGEP Professional grade. Details of the procedure will be put on the Chartership and professional pages of website shortly. The Chartership Application form is being modified to allow an indication of interest in RoGEP.