

New Trustee Ratification

At this year's AGM we will be ratifying the second term of one of our Trustees and the election of four new Trustees to the Board. Please be introduced to:

Proposed for Second Term

NIGEL SHAUN BARNES

Nigel joined the board in 2022, and in that time has offered an invaluable amount of support to the Museum both as a board member and through offering other support to services such as IT. During his first term as a Trustee he has chaired the Project Board for the "Steaming into Sustainability" project and now sits on the Project Board for the Great Engine House project. He is currently also interim chair of the Finance Committee. Using his professional expertise, Nigel has also helped to rationalise the museum's IT systems, significantly reducing Museum expenses. Nigel is a life member of the London Museum of Water & Steam.

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GAYNOR BALDWIN

Gaynor Baldwin is Director of People at the English Football League (EFL) and EFL in the Community (the EFL's charitable arm).

Prior to joining the EFL, she spent 25 years with South Staffordshire Plc - including many years as HR Director for its non regulated engineering businesses, which specialised in areas such as drainage engineering, leak detection, borehole drilling and maintenance, and mechanical and electrical services.

Gaynor has also been an INED for the Cornwall FA, a trustee for a Defined Benefit (DB) pension scheme and a school governor and parish councillor.

Through both her professional experience and personal interests, Gaynor has developed a lifelong fascination with water, drainage and the engineering achievements that underpin modern life.

She is as passionate about preserving and sharing the history of these often-unsung industries as she is about football (and her Club - Everton!) and people in general. She is absolutely delighted to be standing for election as a Trustee of the London Museum of Water & Steam.

VALERIE JOLLIFFE

Valerie has over 15 years' experience as a trustee, across a variety of organisations, mainly in the tech and healthcare sectors. She has a Masters degree in Charity Accounting and Financial Management and has sat on the finance committee, chaired the finance committee or acted a treasurer in nearly all these roles.

Her experience is wider than just finance, however. As a trustee of the Royal Free Charity, she sits on their Finance, Property and Investments Committee, People and Governance Committee, and Fundraising, Campaign and Communications Committee.

Valerie read engineering at university, and has maintained an interest in engineering and technology since then. She has visited the main beam engines in the south of England, sailed on a paddle steamer and ridden on the footplate of a steam railway. She also has a postgraduate degree in History of Architecture, so has an interest in the Museum's architectural heritage.

Her previous career was in corporate finance in the city, followed by a period running investments into university spin-outs in London and Cambridge, which was valuable experience in working with small organisations.

HESTER LIAKOS

Following an education in literature and creative writing, Hester enjoyed a successful twelve-year career in the city, largely working in business development, project management and leadership for a FTSE100 organisation. She was delighted to pivot to the not-for-profit sector in 2012, taking over a portfolio of properties in Kent for the National Trust, including the renowned Sissinghurst Castle Garden and overseeing its transformation, as well as opening new heritage assets to the public for the first time. She is recognised for her uncompromising belief that *genius loci*, good conservation and outstanding commercial performance are not mutually exclusive.

Most recently Hester was CEO and Co-CEO of the South East Rivers Trust (SERT), an environmental charity protecting rivers and habitats through its evidence-based approach, work with communities and delivery of restoration projects. Hester led a period of significant growth and development for the organisation, expanding into new areas and partnerships, growing and developing the team, increasing and diversifying income, and developing a new vision and strategy to further grow the impact of the charity's outstanding work.

Other roles have included Head of Strategy & Business Development for the Fawcett Society and Strategic Development Director for Kent-based food business Foodari. She has also been a Trustee for the Wildfowl & Wetland Trust (WWT).

Hester is most passionate about the importance of people to places, and places to people – whether its listed buildings, outdoor heritage, community spaces or anywhere that brings meaning, belonging, inspiration and peace.

DAVID TROMAN

David brings a blend of corporate governance, engineering, and heritage conservation experience. A West London resident, David's career spans over 30 years at PA Consulting,

where he was Global Head of Financial Services, leading a large international team of consultants. He also chaired the firm's High-Risk Assignment Steering Committee.

He began his career as a Civil Engineer with Sir Robert McAlpine, working on major infrastructure projects. Today, David applies this built-environment expertise to heritage preservation. He sits on the Ironmongers' Livery Company Property and Iron Committees and champions local heritage on Ealing's Conservation Area Committee.

An experienced non-executive, David is a long-standing Trustee for Trailblazers Mentoring Charity and a former mentor for the 30% Club, advocating for inclusive leadership. A hands-on steam enthusiast, he owns and has restored a 1907 steam traction engine.