

# Council elections 2017

## CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

CONSTITUENCY: **NORTH WEST**

Number of vacancies to be filled: **One**

Candidates (order of names drawn by lot)



### 1. Emily Trotter ACA

Trust Business Manager, Blessed Edward Bamber Catholic Multi Academy Trust

#### Personal Statement

I started my training at Grant Thornton, Manchester, enjoying the variety of working with clients from a range of sectors including manufacturing, leisure and charities and through this I realised I was particularly interested in the not-for-profit sector. When the opportunity arose to work in education for a newly formed multi-academy trust in my hometown of Blackpool I jumped at the chance. I am now the Trust Business Manager for a multi-academy trust with three schools educating more than 1,600 students in one of the most deprived areas of the UK. My primary responsibility is the financial management of the trust's £10m annual income but there is lot of variety in the role and I can often be involved in other areas such as human resources and facilities management at a strategic level.

As the only ICAEW member in my organisation, this can sometimes be isolating and although I regularly network with other finance directors in education I would like to be more involved with the accounting profession as a whole. I am a strong advocate for the ICAEW and our qualifications; it has supported me in my career so far and I would like the opportunity to give back by becoming a member of the Council.

Having recently qualified in December 2014, I believe I can contribute a fresh perspective and enthusiasm to the Council. I have experience in both practice and industry and I'm aware of some of the key issues affecting Chartered Accountants in both, including changing regulation, unsustainable workloads and the economic uncertainty of Brexit. I believe I can bring strong communication, analytical and problem solving skills to contribute to the strategic development of the ICAEW for the benefit of the members and I hope that you will give me that chance by voting for me.

#### Nominated by

**Laura Nanson BSc ACA**  
Corporate Client Manager, Moore & Smalley LLP

**Gareth Evans BA FCA**  
Corporate Manager, Moore & Smalley LLP

**Nicola Mason MA (Cantab) ACA DChA**  
Corporate Portfolio Manager, Moore & Smalley LLP

**Amanda Pickup LLB FCA**  
Finance & Operations Director, The Wordsworth Trust

**Angela Fail ACA**  
Management Accountant, Blackpool Sixth Form College



### 2. Christopher Bardin BA FCA

Director, Mattioli Woods

#### Personal Statement

Chris is looking to join the council to represent the views and interests of the North West members and believes his experience in both practice and industry would mean he is well placed to represent all members in the region.

After spending 20 years in practice with a specialism in financial services Chris moved to the Taylor Patterson Group as a senior participant in a management buy-out. Following a successful growth period Chris led the sale of this group to listed wealth manager, Mattioli Woods, where he currently works as a Director and sits on their Structured Product Oversight Committee.

Chris will be looking to engage with the membership and will aim to better promote all our views and interests. Historically, participation in elections is low as is the turnout of voters. At 47, Chris believes he has the enthusiasm and energy to address this to ensure you get the value you deserve for your subscriptions.

The institute is an amazing organisation with far reaching views, influence and goals. It would be an honour to represent you on the Council.

#### Nominated by

**Yvonne Milne-Redhead BSc FCA**  
Director, RV Accountancy Ltd

**Justin Collighan BCom ACA**  
Sole Practitioner, Justin Collighan ACA

**Kevin Duffy BA(Hons) FCA**  
Office Managing Partner, RSM Tax & Advisory Services

**James King BA FCA**  
Associate Director & Audit RI, Pierce CA Ltd

**Paul Warren FCA**  
Managing Director, Pierce CA Ltd



**3. Anthony Ian Cherry BA FCA MAE  
MCI Arb**

Chief Executive Officer, AI Cherry Ltd

**Personal Statement**

I currently represent the North West Constituency as your only Council Member. I ask for your vote to be re-elected for a further four years.

I qualified in 1981 with Spicer & Pegler (now Deloittes) and later worked for Price Waterhouse and KPMG. In 1988 I set up my own firm (A. I. Cherry) and currently practice from my office in Winckley Square, Preston. I also have experience as a Non-Executive Director within the NHS and Education Sectors.

I have strong links with the District Society, having been a Past President. I attend Committee Meetings and member events giving detailed feedback from Council and receiving input from members. I have represented the North West at the highest level of the Institute having been elected from Council to serve as a Non-Executive Director on the main ICAEW Board for ten years. This experience and knowledge has enabled me to represent North West Members as your sole Council Member. I work hard to ensure that all your views - large and small practitioners and business members - are taken seriously and heard in Council. I am not afraid to speak out on behalf of our members and make sure decisions are only taken when they are in our interests. I am also a Support Member and have helped many members through my knowledge and experience of our Institute. A particular interest of mine is the work we are doing with HMRC to ensure that all Tax Agents are properly authorised and regulated. This will put our members on a level playing field with the many non-qualified persons representing themselves as members of our profession. I would like to continue this work on your behalf.

I would be grateful for your continuing support, please vote for me in the Election.

**Nominated by**

**Richard Crowther BA (Hons) FCA**  
Forensic Accountant, Ablegood Services Ltd

**Neil McMillan BA FCA**  
Partner, McMillan & Co LLP

**Leslie Nutter FCA**  
Managing Partner, Cassons Business Advisers LLP

**Magdalene Aston-Green ACA MAAT**  
Head of Contracts & Small Business Accounting, ICS Accounting

**Iain Hamilton BSc ACA**  
Owner, IDHH