

Council elections 2017

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

CONSTITUENCY: **NORTHERN**

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

Candidates (order of names drawn by lot)



1. Robert Tindle BA(Hons) FCA

Partner, Tindles LLP

ICAEW exists for its members; Council is ICAEW's governing body, responsible for oversight of its activities. It is important that you as a member are represented by a candidate who believes in fighting our 'corner'. We have issues:

- I note that subscriptions collected by ICAEW from circa 3,500 Northern members are circa. £1.2million, however, ICAEW are proposing for us to lose our dedicated Regional Director in a cost cutting exercise.
- A benefit of ICAEW membership is 'access to local member networks' (LMN). NorSCA is the 'LMN' for the Northern region and is self-funded with little ICAEW financial support. But NorSCA is under threat from the organisation who promotes it as a benefit to its members. How does this help our members?
- Also NorSCA's course programme is under threat by the ICAEW 'Academy' of CPD courses.
- What has ICAEW done to represent member concerns over HMRC MTD proposals? The serving Council member has talked about PCRT, an area which arguably affects a minority overlooking MTD which affects us all.

What is clear is that a strong advocate on Council is needed, someone who listens to you, understands your concerns and can robustly represent the Northern Region.

I have broad experience currently working in Practice and Industry, as Senior Partner in a firm of Chartered Accountants and developer and operator of a 200 bedroom hotel.

I was formerly President (2015/16) and Treasurer of NorSCA, and sat on the ICAEW Audit Registration Committee (2006/12). I currently serve on the Professional Conduct Department committees.

I believe I am the right person for the challenges we face as ICAEW members in the North. VOTE TINDLE

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Nominated by

Michael Ranson JP FCA
Retired

Trevor Cook FCA
Partner, Baines Jewitt LLP

Jonathan Jones BCom FCA
Senior Lecturer, Newcastle University

Mick Thompson BA ACA
Office Senior Partner, KPMG LLP

Jeanette Brown FCA
Director, Dodd & Co Ltd



2. Robert Barrigan BA FCA

Director, Stoer Consulting Ltd

Is it really only four years since I was elected as your Council member? It has been an honour to represent such an active and successful Region/District Society. Inevitably it is only after a while that you really learn the ropes and are at your most effective. That is why I am standing for re-election this time around - I want to continue the job I set out to do before I hand over the reins to someone else in a few years' time. I have no intention of hanging on and on - ICAEW needs to refresh itself on an ongoing basis and serving a small number of terms as Council member is for me part of that process.

So what have I done to date and intend doing?

Part of the role is representational and I have often raised specific concerns on behalf of individual members or firms directly with the Executive. I also strongly believe in both resisting initiatives by the "Centre" to control all matters ICAEW and in Council holding the Executive and Officers firmly to account. I have spoken out and voted in Council against a number of such initiatives - indeed we on Council have specifically rejected a number of proposals from the ICAEW Executive and Board. The recently imposed Regional Reorganisation is another example - it was not even mentioned (let alone debated) at Council - I fail to see how having only one Regional Director for the area from The Wash to John O'Groats can possibly be in the interests of my constituents. I am on the case!!

At its simplest, the Centre needs to remember that it is responsible to Members and not the other way round. I would very much welcome receiving your vote to enable me to continue pushing this message.

Nominated by

Michael Beeforth BA FCA
Senior Partner, SV Bye

Derek Robinson BA FCA
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Elizabeth Hamilton PhD FCA
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Adrian Savage FCA
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