

ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

There are up to 9 trustee positions becoming vacant at the AGM on 18th April 2024. So a process for inviting the nomination of up to four candidates to be considered for election as new trustees, and for re-election of five existing trustees, was shared with all CEDu3a members in early January 2024. Nomination papers were issued in the week beginning 15th January 2022 with a deadline for submission of 2nd February.

Following this process 9 nominations in total have been put forward for consideration, four for new trustees and five for re-election. As there are up to 9 vacancies to fill, this means that there will be no need for voting at the AGM and instead each nominee will be put forward for adoption by members.

A. NEW TRUSTEES

The following members have been nominated and seconded by other CEDu3a members for appointment as a new trustee for a period of 3 years:

PROPOSED TRUSTEE **Lesley Holland**

Proposer: Christine Heath

Secunder: Maggie

Watters

Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

I've lived in Muswell Hill for nearly 30 years. I love the vibrancy and energy of our u3a and rich diversity of interest groups, thanks to the commitment of our group convenors who make u3a such a great organisation. I take part in Spanish and walking groups and co-convene the Real Food group. My working life in equal opportunities and valuing diversity instilled in me a passion for fairness. I am a member of the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Team and the Social Events Team. It has been great to promote awareness of the diversity of people who live in our community and to reflect the interests of all our members so that everyone can enjoy the benefits of u3a.

PROPOSED TRUSTEE **Alison Miller**

Proposer: Annie Hemingway

Secunder: Janet

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Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

I have lived locally in Hornsey for almost 30 years. When I was lucky enough to take early retirement from a career in Local Government my mum encouraged me to search out my local u3a, never dreaming that I might take her up on the suggestion. Amazing to think that was over 5 years ago. I have loved being part of a vast array of groups and made so many friends since then. Working for London Boroughs in Housing and Community Safety, my passions centred on the powers of multi-agency working, appropriate mental health support for vulnerable people and community empowerment.

PROPOSED TRUSTEE Victoria Midwinter

Proposer: Viv Plant

Seconded: Sheri

Waddell

Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

I joined the Art and Wine Appreciation groups as soon as CEDu3a launched and never looked back! I live in Muswell Hill. My career was in local government and I understand the importance of good governance. Now I volunteer at a local primary school and am a 'Friend of Coldfall Wood'. I love boats and row regularly on the River Lee as well as doing river clean-ups. As part of the Volunteering Admin Team I have improved how we record offers of help from members and would like to be more involved in the development of our very successful u3a.

PROPOSED TRUSTEE David Weatherby

Proposer: Brenda Dardelin Seconded: Sean Boyle

Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

My wife and I moved from Islington to Hornsey over 40 years ago and it has proved to be a great place to bring up our three daughters. Although I have worked as a social worker and a teacher, the majority of my working experience has been in systems consulting and management with the last few years being for the NHS. I joined CEDu3a in 2019 and have enjoyed being a member of many groups, currently Beer Appreciation, World History, and the EDI team. I am now also part of the Beacon system admin and support team.

B. RE-ELECTION OF EXISTING TRUSTEES

The following trustees have completed their 3-year period of tenure, and in four instances have also been elected to serve an additional year or two already. All of those nominated below are willing to seek re-election for a further year, as set out in our Constitution. Those who are re-elected will continue to hold their current Officer roles. They have been nominated and seconded by other CEDu3a members for appointment as a re-elected trustee as follows:

PROPOSED TRUSTEE Graham Bennett

Proposer: Ian Skerritt

Seconded: David Lane

Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

I am a retired Theatre Manager and have been a CEDu3a trustee for the past 5 years, for the past 4 years as Vice Chair. My roles have included developing new groups and organising the speakers for the monthly meetings. I edit the newsletters, belong to the Publicity and Recruitment Team and represent the Executive Committee on the events team. I am convener of the Photographers and Photography group, co-convener of Art Appreciation 2 and 3 groups and have given talks both at CEDu3a and the London Region summer school. I love travel and theatre-going and am a keen photographer.

PROPOSED TRUSTEE John Hemingway

Proposer: Jacqui Osley

Secunder: Janet Sutherland

Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

I have been a member of CEDu3a since its inception and have been the co-ordinator of the Longer Walks group since October 2017. I became a trustee in 2021 and joined the Groups Team with a brief to encourage the creation of an increased number and range of interest groups. We now have over 100 active groups, but as our organisation continues to grow the need for even more groups remains a priority and I would welcome the opportunity to continue to play a part in this

PROPOSED TRUSTEE Jackie Langford

Proposer: Penelope Badham Secunder: Patricia

Adams

Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

I have lived in Haringey and worked for the North London NHS services in a variety of service delivery, planning and commissioning capacities for over forty years. Now fully retired, I was elected to a trustee position within CEDu3a in July 2019 and have fulfilled the role of Secretary ever since then, having previously been Secretary to the Steering Committee. I would be very happy to continue in the role of Secretary and trustee for one final year and to share my knowledge with my successor. I am also co-convenor of the Art Appreciation 2 and 3 groups.

PROPOSED TRUSTEE Charles Sharp

Proposer: Clare Smallman

Secunder: Rob

Jackson

Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

I have been a trustee for four years and I am seeking to serve a further final year to provide continuity as new trustees join. As the membership secretary, I have mainly helped with reporting on membership activity as we grow to an organisation with around 1000 members. Membership subscriptions are our primary income and dictate the scope of our activities. In 2025 several long serving trustees will retire and I hope to pass on my experience to the new trustees so that they can understand and scrutinise the membership process. Aside from my trustee work I have been active generally in our branch and co-founded the Architecture and Built Environment group.

PROPOSED TRUSTEE Sally Whitaker

Proposer: Lindley Smith

Secunder: Vivien Tesserass

Nominee's brief statement in support of their candidature:

I have lived in Crouch End for many years and, in September 2017 having recently retired from full-time work, I joined the CEDu3a Steering Committee as Secretary and then was elected a trustee on the Executive Committee in 2019 and appointed Vice Chair. I have

been Chair for 4 years now (from 2020) and wish to be re-elected as a trustee for a further year in order to continue as Chair during the same period. This will be my final sixth year of being a trustee and fifth year as Chair of CEDu3a. Previously I worked in the charity sector and, before that, in adult education at the University of London and then Birkbeck College.