

Join the CIWM Presidential Team

The [CIWM Presidential Team](#) perform an essential role in the leadership, direction and voice of CIWM. The team is made up of the President, Senior Vice President, Junior Vice President and Immediate Past President.

All members of the Presidential Team are CIWM Trustees (General Councillors), joining the [Trustee Board \(General Council\)](#) when they become Junior Vice President.

You can read about the specific duties of CIWM Trustees below.

The Presidential Team also sit on the CIWM [Members' Council](#) as a link between the Trustee Board and Members' Representatives, who represent members from the 10 CIWM Centres.

The role of the President

- The President represents CIWM at various events acting in an ambassadorial role and is a key spokesperson for CIWM.
- It has become traditional for the President to set out one or more themes for their year in office. These themes are often initially developed as part of their application to become Junior Vice President and then may also be reflected in a 'Presidential Report' developed during the Senior Vice President year and launched around their inauguration as President.
- The President may attend international conferences or congresses and events in the UK including dinners with other member organisations, opening of new facilities or social engagements. This often includes a speaking opportunity to talk about the work of CIWM, activities in the sector or the [Presidential Report](#).
- The President has a role as guardian of the professional standards of CIWM.
- The President is a CIWM Trustee and has a role in ensuring CIWM meets its charitable objectives.

Term of Office

- The Junior Vice President is selected in Spring by the Members' Council and becomes Junior Vice President Elect at this point.
- They then become Junior Vice President at the next Presidential Inauguration which usually takes place in June.
- The Junior Vice President then progresses to Senior Vice President in the following year and then President the year after that.

Current Presidential team

You can meet our current team [here](#) and hear about their work, including the Presidential podcast, at [Circular](#).



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- Once they complete their Presidential year they become Immediate Past President.

From becoming Junior Vice President to finishing as Immediate Past President usually takes four years. The process may be accelerated if for any reason a member of the team is unable to take up their position or has to stand down.

Responsibilities

All members of the Presidential team are Trustees, members of the Trustee Board (General Council) and members of the Members' Council during their terms of office. The President chairs the Members' Council which meets 3 times per year and the CIWM Annual General Meeting.

Application process

Our members come from all walks of life and we welcome applications from a wide variety of backgrounds because we know it makes CIWM stronger. We welcome applicants regardless of gender or gender identity, age, disability, race, sexual orientation, or religion or belief.

Each year CIWM will invite nominations for Junior Vice President which must be submitted by 31 December. Applicants must be CIWM Fellows and must submit a personal statement and have support from either 3 CIWM Trustees (General Councillors) or their CIWM Centre Council. CIWM has ten Centres throughout the UK and Ireland which are run by member volunteers (Centre Councillors).

Assessment process

Applicants are invited to present at CIWM Members Council in Spring and the Junior Vice President is then appointed by ballot of Members' Representatives.

For more details on the application and assessment process please email ceo@ciwm.co.uk or visit our [website](#).

