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My ambition for CIHT is to lead on policies and standards, driving positive changes for equitable transport and infrastructure. Having worked across the West Midlands, I want CIHT to amplify underrepresented voices and drive collaboration for fairer, community-focused transport solutions.

Tell us about yourself and your professional background, including why you want to be a Council Member:

I am a passionate highways and transportation professional with over ten years' experience supporting local authorities in delivering highway maintenance, road safety, and active travel initiatives. My work has always been focused on empowering local communities, ensuring that transport solutions are not only technically sound but also fulfil the needs and aspirations of the people they serve.

As a Senior Traffic Engineer at WSP, I lead on the design and delivery of local transport schemes, working closely with residents, councillors, and community groups to create safer, more accessible, and sustainable streets. I believe that meaningful engagement leads to better outcomes, fostering a sense of ownership and pride in local infrastructure.

By joining the CIHT Council, I want to champion community-led transport initiatives, ensuring that policies and projects prioritise inclusivity, sustainability, and equitable design. I am committed to making transport planning a tool for positive social change.

How will your particular skills and experience benefit Council? Give some examples from your professional or personal life that show you have the right skill set to contribute to the work of Council.

With over a decade in highways and transportation, I bring a strong blend of technical expertise, stakeholder engagement, and community-focused project delivery. I have benefitted from delivering traffic, road safety, and active travel schemes across the West Midlands region, gaining an understanding of how transport can empower communities. Engaging with MPs, councillors, and the public, I have led public consultations, ensuring local voices shape outcomes.

Further to my professional role, as a father of two young children and having a non-verbal brother with autism, I understand the necessity for equitable, accessible and inclusive transport and public realm. This motivates my passion for championing barrier-free, community-led solutions.

My background in policy development, budget management, and mentoring equips me to contribute strategically to CIHT's work. I will use my expertise to advocate for inclusive, sustainable, and forward-thinking infrastructure that will function for the benefit of all members of the community.

Professional Affiliations:

EngTech, CIHT

Education and Qualifications: 2009 - 2012, BA(Hons) Sociology, 2:1, University of York

Present Post or Occupation: Senior Traffic Engineer at WSP. January 2023 - Present.

Past and Present Service to the Institution: n/a

Proposers: Kirsteen Clare, Callum Williams, Annette Polak & Laura Menedez Gonzalez.



Jo Field

FCIHT, FCIPR, Chart.PR

I want to use my expertise in diversity and decarbonisation to help CIHT be a leader in these areas, while at the same time inspiring the next generation of transport professionals.

Tell us about yourself and your professional background, including why you want to be a Council Member: I'm the Founder and Chief Executive of JFG Communications and the President of Women in Transport.

I've spent most of my career in the transport sector, including almost a decade at Transport for London and have over twenty years of experience helping companies engage their stakeholders, build advocacy for their plans, and inform and influence public policy, especially in relation to transport decarbonisation and workforce diversity.

I know decarbonisation and diversity are key priorities for CIHT and I'm keen to bring my expertise in these areas to support CIHT's mission.

I have previously served as an Ordinary Council member and I enjoyed helping to shape the future direction of CIHT. I am especially keen to further strengthen the partnership between CIHT and Women in Transport. While we've made great progress on diversity in recent years, there is still a long way to go until we have a gender balanced workforce.

How will your particular skills and experience benefit Council? Give some examples from your professional or personal life that show you have the right skill set to contribute to the work of Council.

As a transport public affairs and stakeholder engagement expert I'm helping shape better policy, particularly on transport decarbonisation and diversity. Similarly, my Women in Transport work focuses on improving equality, diversity and inclusion. These priorities align with CIHT's values and I'm keen to share my expertise in these areas as a CIHT Council Member.

I built cross-party advocacy for diversity for the 9th year running through my work with parliamentarians on the APPG for Women in Transport. I will bring my public policy expertise and connections to advocate for CIHT in the same way I do for Women in Transport.

I also bring significant governance expertise from non-profit transport boards, including my role as President of Women in Transport, 6 years as a Trustee of Living Streets and 6 years on CIHT Council.

I also bring youth engagement expertise and a passion for inspiring the next generation of transport professionals.

Professional Affiliations:

Fellow, Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation; Fellow, Chartered Institute of Public Relations.

Education and Qualifications:

2001-2003, MPhil Social Science Research Methods; 1997-2001, MA (Hons); 2019, Chartered PR Practitioner (Chart.PR)

Present Post or Occupation:

Founder and Chief Executive of JFG Communications President of Women in Transport

Past and Present Service to the Institution:

2016-2022, Ordinary Council Member; 2016-2020, CIHT Comms and External Affairs Board; 2016-2022, Transportation Professional panel.

Proposers: Glenn Lyons, Rachel Skinner, Deborah Sims & Daniel Jackson.



Eric Hill

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I wish to share my enthusiasm and drive to develop the CIHTs goals and objectives to become leaders in improving the delivery of a safe transportation infrastructure whilst embracing the challenges presented by climate change.

Tell us about yourself and your professional background, including why you want to be a Council Member:

I began my career in highways, traffic and road safety engineering with Fife Regional Council in 1991, starting as a Technician within Traffic Management. In total I spent sixteen years in roads maintenance and traffic management with local authority.

Following this I joined the private sector with BEAR Scotland Ltd for ten years before moving to my current position in Sweco UK Ltd working in operational road safety.

I joined the CIHT and the Society of Road Safety Auditors (SoRSA) in 2011, becoming the Scottish representative on the committee in 2013. SoRSA and the CIHT gave me the support to establish annual road safety events for all disciplines in Scotland. These events have continued since 2014.

In 2021 I was appointed Vice Chair of SoRSA, stepping into the Chair and member of CIHT Council in 2023. This time within Council has inspired me to contribute more to support CIHT.

How will your particular skills and experience benefit Council? Give some examples from your professional or personal life that show you have the right skill set to contribute to the work of Council.

I have benefited throughout my career with a wide variety of experience from roads design, maintenance, road safety and even an element of street lighting maintenance.

This added to my experience preparing people for the Institute of Advanced Motorists advanced driving test since 1996.

I served 21 years as Special Constable with Police Scotland which, with the driver preparation, gave me a good insight to how people interact with the infrastructure we design and maintain.

I have regularly provided face to face training, presentations and webinars to road safety, highways and traffic professionals across a variety of disciplines, I am always keen to develop the skills and abilities of colleagues, whilst also learning from the experience and knowledge of others.

Professional Affiliations:

Fellow, Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation; Fellow, Institute of Highways Engineers.

Education and Qualifications:

1988-1991, HND Civil Engineering.

Present Post or Occupation:

2017 to present Principal Consultant with Sweco UK Ltd

Past and Present Service to the Institution:

2011, Join CIHT; 2011, Join SoRSA; 2013, SoRSA Committee Scottish Representative; 2021, SoRSA Vice Chair; 2023, SoRSA Chair

Proposers: Dennis Symons, John Barrell, Karen McShane & Kate Carpenter.

Agnieszka Jezierska

MSc CEng, MCIHT, fCMgr

CIHT has a vital role in shaping and being a driving forefront of the future of transportation by: advocating for sustainable infrastructure, supporting the next generation of professionals, and engaging with policymakers and industry leaders to drive forward-thinking transport solutions.

Tell us about yourself and your professional background, including why you want to be a Council Member: I am an experienced Project Manager and Engineer with a strong background in highways & transportation industry, currently working as Associate Project Manager at NRP.

Throughout my career I have been also involved in various activities such as Women Committee (NRP), STEM Ambassador or CIHT CPD Panel Member and CIHT CPD Panel Chair, demonstrating passion for impactful and insightful contributions that, combined with technical contribution, result in improved solutions across range of aspects of the industry.

My professional journey has allowed me to engage with multidisciplinary teams, influence key stakeholders, and contribute to projects that enhance our transport and infrastructure systems. I am eager to join the CIHT Council to leverage my expertise, help shape and influence policies, and advocate for sustainable and forward-thinking approaches within the sector. I strongly believe in the CIHT mission and would like to contribute my commitment, knowledge, leadership, and industry insights to drive positive change.

How will your particular skills and experience benefit Council? Give some examples from your professional or personal life that show you have the right skill set to contribute to the work of Council.

With 12 years of experience in highways & infrastructure, I bring a combination of technical expertise, strategic thinking, leadership as well as commercial and political acumen that will benefit the CIHT Council, notably:

Leadership & Strategy: At NRP, I have led or contributed to initiatives that required cross-functional collaboration, decision-making, and strategic planning. On the project level, I work with stakeholders and senior leads to seek buy-in and achieve outcomes through collaboration.

Industry Expertise: My work as engineer, and then project manager, has given me deep insights into the challenges and opportunities within the transportation sector, equipping me to contribute effectively to Council discussions. I help ensure projects meet technical and legislative requirements, while aligning with broader industry goals.

Advocacy & Stakeholder Engagement: I have worked with government bodies, industry partners, and local communities to advocate for better transport solutions, a skill that will be valuable in CIHT's policy-making and outreach efforts.

Professional Affiliations:

Member, Chartered Institution of Highways & Transportation.

Education and Qualifications:

2000-2007, MSc in Civil Engineering; 2021, Chartered Engineer; 2024, CMI Level 3 Diploma in Principles of Management and Leadership

Present Post or Occupation:

Associate Project Manager at Norman Rourke Pryme Ltd. Have been working with NRP since Sep 2018.

Past and Present Service to the Institution:

2021, Outstanding Performance at Professional Review; 2022, Speaker at the Young Professionals Summit 2022; 2022, CIHT CPD Panel Member; 2022, CIHT TP article: seasonal insights that sum up 2022; 2023, CIHT CPD Panel Chair 2023, CIHT online CPD speaker: How to make CPD work for you; 2025, CIHT TP interview: My CPD journey

Proposers: James Isaac Webb, Leslie Gamadeku, Richard Eason & Matthew Kennedy.



Louise McMahon

To support the CIHT becoming a research leader in sustainable and multimodal transport, enhancing regional connectivity, promoting green infrastructure, fostering innovation in transportation technologies, and supporting digital skills development, all while collaborating on business challenges for resilient infrastructure.

Tell us about yourself and your professional background, including why you want to be a Council Member:

I am committed to driving growth and performance excellence through transformative leadership, with a focus on innovation, safety, sustainability and quality. My background includes developing and executing medium to long-term strategies that align with corporate priorities and enhance outcomes for key stakeholders. I have a proven track record in leading business improvement projects, embedding standardisation, and ensuring compliance with ISO management systems.

By fostering cross-partner collaborative programs and driving lean practices, I empower high-performing teams and enhance professional development. I prioritise information security and digital technologies, ensuring effective stakeholder management and risk compliance. By promoting employee engagement and delivering key training, I aim to cultivate a culture of continuous improvement and drive positive community impact while embracing diverse perspectives.

If successful, my role as a Council Member would allow me to leverage my expertise in collaboration, strategy, assurance, and project delivery to support CIHT's strategic and professional objectives.

How will your particular skills and experience benefit Council? Give some examples from your professional or personal life that show you have the right skill set to contribute to the work of Council.

I am passionate about leveraging my 15 years of experience in the probation service, Virgin Trains, and at Kier to foster industry knowledge, inclusivity, and community spirit.

As a dedicated mother of two, I have honed my multitasking and empathetic leadership skills, which allow me to truly understand and appreciate diverse perspectives. My commitment to mentoring and coaching empowers others, showcasing their unique talents and contributions.

Through my work with Kier's Inclusive Network, I've sponsored connecting international colleagues, promoting open dialogue and creating a safe space for discussions on discrimination and diversity. This initiative not only raises awareness about international diversity issues.

I am dedicated to driving positive change, fostering collaboration, enriching our workplace culture, ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to thrive, and creating an inclusive environment where all voices are heard and valued.

Professional Affiliations:

Committee Member, British Standards Institute.

Education and Qualifications:

2015, European Foundation for Quality Management: Assessor; 2017, British Standards Institute: Requirements and Migration to ISO 44001:2017; 2017, British Standards Institute: Implementing ISO 44001:2017 Training Course 2018-present, British Standards Institute: Committee Member; 2020-present, Process Management International: Lean Six Sigma Green Belt; March 2022-present, NEBOSH: HSE certificate in health and safety leadership excellence; December 2023-present, National Centre for Diversity: Master in Diversity - Personal Inclusivity Development Programme

Present Post or Occupation:

Strategy and Business Improvement Director, Kier Transportation - June 2022

Past and Present Service to the Institution:

n/a



Will Wilson

MCIHT

The CIHT needs to become a household name. It needs to boost its profile within the industry and be at the front of the queue lobbying the government for policies that will result in real change. Let's make it happen.

Tell us about yourself and your professional background, including why you want to be a Council Member: I have worked in Transportation for 7 years, starting my career in a small consultancy of 20 staff and then moving to a large consultancy of 50,000 employees globally. So I have experience of working for both small and large businesses.

My specialism of TROs, Parking, Road Safety and Active Travel has allowed me to work with Local Authorities across the UK, often embedding myself within them and championing private-public sector collaborative working which I believe is the future of the industry to achieve real change. It has also allowed exposed me to consultation with local people and stakeholders giving me a real 'on the ground' understanding of the challenges communities face day to day.

I want to be on the council to be a representative who appreciates both private and public sector backgrounds and challenges and as someone who can bring a fresh and enthusiastic perspective.

How will your particular skills and experience benefit Council? Give some examples from your professional or personal life that show you have the right skill set to contribute to the work of Council.

I have developed a reputation professionally and personally for excellent communication and organizational skills and a raw enthusiasm for the roles I take on. As a member of the council I would build on my 2 years experience with my Regional Council as an Events Officer, where I was responsible for bringing back the South West Annual Conference in 2024 for the first time since 2020.

I will use my skills of listening and engagement as well as technical knowledge of legal processes and procedures and apply them to discussions, debates and the like and act as a voice for the often overlooked world of TROs which has come up in government papers for the last 2 years as a key area needing reform.

I have been part of Church Councils and run groups within my company so have a strong experience of working in a council environment.

Professional Affiliations:

Member, Chartered Institute of Highways and Transportation.

Education and Qualifications:

2014-2017, BSc Geography - 2:1; 2017-2018, MSc Environmental Consultancy - MERIT; 2024, AECOM Project Management Certificate.

Present Post or Occupation:

Senior Consultant at AECOM within the 'Streets' Team. Specializing in Traffic Regulation Orders, Parking policy and strategy, project management, active travel and road safety.

Past and Present Service to the Institution:

2023-2024, Events Officer, South West Region; 2024-Present, Committee Member, South West Region.

Proposers: James Gait, Alan Rodgers, Helen Holm & Lidia Derossi.