



Prospective Trustees November 2021, for AGM

Purpose

The following are mini profiles of the prospective IFM trustees, who have been nominated for election at the 2021 Annual General meeting.

Please note that these nominations are made by the Trustees, following a recruitment process that included interviews with the following IFM personnel: Chris Mills (President, and Chair of Trustees), Valerie Holt (Trustee and Vice President), Karen Twine (FISH Editor) and David Bunt (Chair of the Executive Committee).

These are presented so that our Membership, invited to elect them at the Annual General Meeting on 24 November, have some key information about those they are being invited to elect.

Profiles

William Howarth

To perform the specialist Trustee role of Legal Advisor



William (Bill) Howarth, BA, LL.M, MIFM, CE, FRSA, FCIWEM is Emeritus Professor of Environmental Law in Kent Law School at the University of Kent.

He is a past Editor of the Journal of Water Law and author of several books on the law relating to water pollution, fisheries, aquaculture, watercourses, flood risk management and ecological conservation of the aquatic environment, and author of over 100 reports, monographs, and academic journal articles on diverse aspects of water and environmental law.

He is Honorary Legal Adviser to the Institute of Fisheries Management, the Regional Representative for the International Association for Water Law, a member of the United Kingdom Environmental Law Association, the Agricultural Law Association and a former member of the Committee of Fish Legal.

Jonathan Swan

To perform the specialist Trustee role of Treasurer



Jonathan Swan B.Ed (Hons) MBA FRSA MRSB MIFM JP is a director of Operis TRG Ltd, a specialist financial modelling consultancy in the City of London. He is the author of “Practical Financial Modelling” and has written or contributed to a number of technical ICAEW reports and other articles in the financial media. Jonathan has served on the boards of several higher and further education institutions, charitable and not-for-profit organisations and has extensive experience of corporate governance, and in particular of finance and audit. He is currently the chair of the Joint Audit Committee of the Essex Police Fire and Crime Commissioner and Essex Police, and of the Audit Committee of the Essex Fire and Rescue Service. The water meadows of the River Itchen stimulated Jonathan’s interest in freshwater biology and fisheries management as a biological sciences student at Winchester, and he has been a member of the IFM since passing the Certificate in 2011.

A keen if somewhat incompetent angler, when not prowling the banks of the River Chelmer he may be found playing his bagpipes to the unrestrained and raucous delight of his neighbours.

Ben Marshall

To perform the specialist Trustee role of Marketing & Communications advisor



Ben Marshall is an East Midlands based entrepreneur with a large array of business interests in the UK and Dubai, primarily in the media and music marketplace.

As a non-executive director, trustee and advisor, Ben has served companies and organisations ranging from Premier League football clubs to multi-academy trusts and from charities to SMEs.

He also owns two fisheries and is an active, multi discipline angler and musician.

Ben is married to Kat and has two children, Imogen and Isaac.

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Adrian Smith

Trustee



Adrian Smith, MIRM, is currently the CEO of Belle Vue Speedway and a Non-Exec Director of two captive insurance companies. Over the last 20 years, he has held several senior executive roles in a variety of FTSE 100 and 200 companies mostly specialising in risk management and insurance but also in other operational areas including corporate governance and social responsibility.

Adrian graduated from Hatfield Polytechnic (now the University of Hertfordshire) in 1991 with an HND in Business & Finance and went on to become a member of the Institute of Risk Management and has recently completed 2 unit of the Institute of Fisheries Management certificate course.

Adrian lives in Bedfordshire, is an ardent angler of over 40 years, a keen long-distance runner, and follower of football and rugby - the latter of which he played and was a long serving committee member for his local club.