



NOMINATIONS FOR HONORARY OFFICER / TRUSTEE POSITIONS

John Buglass (Chair)

In the 40 years since I started in archaeology as a volunteer, I feel I have gained a significant amount of experience not only in all types of archaeology but through working at all levels from volunteer through to project manager/director. With the last 18yrs running my own archaeology business.

This, I feel, has given me a suitable depth of experience to be able to take on the role of Chair of CBA(Y) and help it continue to develop in to a regional presence in community archaeology.

I have worked in the north-east, and particularly Yorkshire, since 1994 both with larger commercial units and self-employed. In that time I've run many community projects, one of which received the Pitt-Rivers Award for best community project. Other community projects I run have also produced their own publications on their results.

As well as commercial and community work, I am also a qualified further education tutor (City & Guilds 7407 Parts I & II) and ran GCSE, AS and A2 Archaeology classes as well as doing occasional university lectures.

I have published regularly on a wide range of topics from Roman cats to post-medieval graffiti.

Nominated by Dave Went. Seconded by Mike Turpin

Russell Watson (Treasurer)

I have over 30 years' experience in accountancy in Business in senior positions, and am a Fellow of the ACCA. I was part-time Finance Director of registered charity Age UK Leeds from 2016 until summer 2022.

I am keen to use my accountancy skills on a volunteer basis. I was the Treasurer of the Bronte Society for 3 years and also the Independent Examiner of the local Parish Council for several years.

Nominated by Dave Went. Seconded by Tony Hunt

Dave Went (Hon Secretary)

I have acted as Hon Secretary for CBA Yorkshire since stepping into Trevor Pearson's shoes in 2019. Over the subsequent three years I have managed the committee's regular meetings and AGMs, supporting the group's governance and activities prior to and during the disruption of Covid. This includes contributing to the formation of our grants procedure and overseeing the overdue revision of our group's constitution. I hope to be elected for another term as Hon Secretary not least to ensure that the transition to the new committee under the new constitution runs as smoothly as possible. I also hope to see an expansion in CBA-Y's offer to members now that we are free again pursue community archaeology projects.

In my other life I have worked as a professional archaeologist for over 35 years, having gained my first degree at Leeds in the mid-1980s and my second at Leicester in 2001. I currently manage the national archaeological survey team at Historic England, but in the past (going back many years) I have been an Inspector of Ancient Monuments, a project manager in Hertfordshire, an excavation supervisor for Cambridge University, for the University of Siena, and most recently for Newcastle/Historic England during the 2022 season at Birdoswald.

Nominated by Mike Turpin. Seconded by Brian Elsey

Jo Heron (committee member: membership secretary)

I was Hon Gen Secretary for the Yorkshire Archaeological Society for 17 years, and President of Huddersfield and District Archaeological Society for several years at the same time. I have been secretary for the YAS Roman Antiquities Section for about 20 years, and the Medieval Section for the last 10-15 years. I have been Membership Secretary (for about 15 years) and I am currently the Chair of my family history society.

I have been a member of CBA Yorkshire off and on for since the mid 1980's, including helping Phil Abramson when he was Editor for the journal. I joined the Committee a few years ago and took over the Membership Secretary role from Trevor Pearson about 5 years ago.

As a Committee member with responsibility for a fiscal aspect of the Group, I believe that I should be a Trustee as otherwise I would not be legally responsible or protected for any financial actions, so put my nomination forward for a place as a Trustee of CBA Yorkshire.

Nominated by Dave Went. Seconded by Mike Turpin

Shirley Thubron (committee member).

My involvement with CBA Yorkshire dates back to the days when it was known as CBA Group 4, and I have been a trustee since it was re-established until its present name with charitable status. I have served on many of its committees, including a long period as the group's treasurer, as well as sponsoring the Thubron (also King/Thubron) Award. Although I am not standing for a particular role on this occasion, I will bring to the committee my considerable experience of the group's management, as well as a perspective based on practical archaeology, including work on the Catterick excavations with Pete Wilson. I am also a trustee of Richmondshire Museums

Nominated by Mike Turpin. Seconded by Dave Went

Mike Turpin (committee member – editor)

I originally attended CBAY committee meetings as an affiliated representative for South Leeds Archaeology. I was able to assist in the first Autumn Showcase, finishing with presenting the speakers. Subsequently, I was invited to join the committee as Associate Editor to assist the then Honorary Editor. On her resignation, I was 'promoted' to Honorary Editor and automatically became a trustee of CBAY Yorkshire. A role with responsibilities that I take seriously.

Financial difficulties led to a committee decision to publish Forum exclusively online. I was tasked to devise the new format with built in interactivity to ensure a flexible experience for members.

Following Co-vid restrictions and lockdown, I initiated the programme of Fireside Chats with the support of many distinguished speakers and a regular attendance which is still continuing. Associated with these is the Video Archive which totals some 60 talks.

I designed and ran a QGIS training course online and contributed the fees to CBA Yorkshire to complement the new Grants scheme and website initiative.

I am prepared to continue to promote Forum as an online publication and manage the Fireside Chats and Video Archive, together with a wider involvement within the committee continuing my responsibilities as a trustee.

Nominated by Tony Hunt. Seconded by Dave Went

Diamaid Walshe (committee member)

As part of my role in the Royal Army Medical Core I currently train individuals in Safeguarding, Mental Health, and Adult and Child Protection, and have written policies and guidance on these topics. I am qualified to teach a wide variety of health and safety qualifications, including First Aid

My first career was in law, qualifying in 1991. I later retrained as a teacher with an 11-19 PCGE. I worked with young people who had severe mental health and behavioural issues.

My introduction to archaeology was in 1987 when I was employed on one of the largest archaeological surveys in Ireland. I completed an MA in Field Archaeology in 2008 and have since organised many community projects. Of note were a project with Croyden Council which worked with Special Educational Needs schools, this was highly praised by OFSTED, the Dovedale project, for which I won an award from the National Trust, and co-founded Operation Nightingale.

Outside of the UK, I have been a keynote speaker on Community Archaeology at several international conferences and worked for University of Tel Aviv as the Foreign Volunteer Coordinator on several projects, as well working with the University of Paris and Brown University.

Nominated by Richard Coates. Seconded by Emma Samuel.

Emma Samuel (committee member)

I studied for a BA in Archaeology at the University of York and graduated with First Class Honours in 2016.

I began working in commercial archaeology in 2014, whilst also volunteering on projects such as The Hidden Guildhall Project in York and completing a geophysical survey at Roman Aldborough.

I left commercial archaeology in 2021 to begin studying for an MA in Social Work. At this time, I began to become more involved in community archaeology as I recognized this as an area where my knowledge and skills in both subjects worked together. I am in the process of writing my dissertation on social prescribing and archaeology, particularly focusing on the framework that is needed to safely widen participation into demographics who have traditionally felt excluded from participation.

I was one of the organizers of a community project over the summer of 2022 which was successful in widening participation whilst providing support for the more vulnerable individuals that we welcomed onto site. As assistant site director, I trained participants in excavation and recording techniques alongside being involved in the creation and delivery of our popular social media content.

Nominated by John Buglass. Seconded by Mike Turpin.

Ian Drake (committee member)

I have served on the CBA-Y committee in various capacities, originally as the appointed rep for the York Architectural and Archaeological Society (YAYAS) in the days when it was still known as 'Group 4', and I have been a trustee of the group since the Constitution was changed and it acquired the new name CBA-Yorkshire in 1984. Most recently, up to the 2021 AGM, I was the group's Treasurer. Although I am not standing for that particular position again, I hope that my experience and knowledge will be of benefit to the committee in 2022-23.

Nominated by Christine Went. Seconded by Tony Hunt.
