

Regionally Elected Councillor - RIBA NORTH-WEST

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Election Statement:

I've worked alongside Ewen Miller as one of your two regionally-elected National Councillors for the last three years, and I'd be grateful for your support to allow me to represent you once again. The reason for this is that we're in the midst of achieving some really positive changes in the RIBA, which will benefit all the members here in the North West, and I'd like to finish the job.

Over the past three years we have:

- Campaigned for more regional autonomy to improve the delivery of RIBA services in our area. After three years of hard graft, the regional devolution debate is now on the agenda.
- Supported increased voting rights and improved representation for Student Members; but there more to do on reducing the cost of architectural education.
- Campaigned for a better digital platform so more can be delivered direct to RIBA members, especially those in rural parts of the NW; progress is being made on this.
- Successfully encouraged the streamlining of the National Council in order to make it more effective.

At the moment, we're raising the issues of social mobility and gender equality in the current diversity debate. The NW Regional Council are working on exciting plans to promote the value of RIBA Members to society in our Region.

The Regionally Elected National Councillor's role is to represent their region at National Council. I know the system well, having served as a Regional Councillor for 14 years, and previously as the Branch President of LAWSA. I am delighted to be nominated again by the NW Regional Council; your support will allow me to finish the job we've started!

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