

Thames Valley branch supporting statements 2020-2021

Name:	What motivated you to put yourself forward for election to the branch committee?	What qualities, skills and experience do you think you'll bring to the branch committee?	If you volunteered last year with the APM what was your best achievement/highlight?
Carol Bell	I have been an active member volunteer within APM since joining in March 1999. since then I have maintained an active role at branch level, currently a Committee Member at Thames Valley Branch. I wish to continue to develop the events offering by TVB, both physical and virtual.	I have many years of experience as an APM Volunteer in a number of roles. I co-founded the APM Devon and Cornwall Chapter in 2001 and co-chaired it until 2006. I chaired the Women in Project Management SIG 2007-2009 and the Inspire Steering Group 2008-2010. My biggest asset is in knowledge of APM policies and procedures, HQ staff, initiatives and development objectives. My skills include event planning, organisation and presentation at events, supporting the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer in branch/SIG management, new ideas and knowledge / experience of new / social media for presenting/promoting events (Zoom, Instagram Live, BrightTALK, Webunarjam etc)	Encouraging members to put themselves forward for APM qualifications and the RPP / ChPP Standard
Paul Bradley	I have been a branch committee member for the last year and wish to continue to do so	Good communication and organising skills plus enthusiasm for developing myself and others	Picking up the corporate liaison role for the branch

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<p>Steven Hoesli</p>	<p>I have been secretary for the last year and feel I can add a lot of guidance to the group and in turn help the project management community by using the tool APM can provide. If the committee agree I feel I can do this best in the position of chair. With APMs reach and my influence with a senior role in Mott MacDonald I feel I can make a real difference. Part of my personal goals is to give back to the profession by helping the younger project managers, and I see this as a perfect fit to help achieve those goals</p>	<p>I have been a committee member in the role of secretary this term; which gives me a great insight to what is working and where improvements can be made. I have been in Project Management for more than 30 years within industries such as buildings, Nuclear defence and Transportation giving me a wide pool of knowledge to pull on. My Project, Programme and Portfolio experience in Project management, Project Controls and commercial will allow me to give advice across the topics that we might touch when reaching out to the community.</p>	<p>Unfortunately, the activity within the branch has not been as active as I would have liked; this has been exaggerated by the COVID-19 issues. Picking up the secretary role recently has allowed me to put a little structure into our monthly meeting which has given a little more accountability to team. On a personal note, applying for my FAPM has been a real highlight; something I feel will help me with my volunteering as a non-executive board member for a charity if I am successful</p>
<p>Grant Kane</p>	<p>I have recently taken over as Treasurer and would like to continue the work I have started</p>	<p>Project and Programme management experience, Leadership, Transitional Change management, Organisational Skills and attention to detail</p>	<p>Achievement of RPP and ChPP. Unfortunately Covid 19 curtailed a lot of the events planned for last year. I have already started in planning events for next year when we are able to hold events</p>
<p>Greg Krawczyk</p>	<p>Having previously volunteered with the TVB, I very much enjoyed working with the committee members towards a common goal. I am once again interested in volunteering my time, to give back and support a team. Having moved to a new area I am only just over an hour outside of Reading. I would like to support the TVB in particular as I enjoyed working with the committee members, I believe I am able to contribute and pick-up where I left off, organising great events and engaging the local PM community.</p>	<p>Organisation and an interest to setup events and engagement activities. I was previously the Secretary for the branch, hosted an event and progressed several others.</p>	<p>It was two years ago but my best achievements would have to be taking the secretary role and supporting the committee to deliver their best.</p>

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Kathy Stevenson	Continue to play a part in the PM Community	Tenacity, organisation, planning	continuing to improve the PMC
Steve Walters	I have served on this branch for several years and wish to continue to make myself useful in this way.	I have over 30 years experience as a project manager, including time as manager of a business running within a FTSE 100 company. I have skills particularly in research and technology projects, and as a specialist in stakeholder engagement. I am also a visiting academic at a major university, reinforcing the links I have made with local HEIs.	Representing APM at a university employers / advisory panel for students, following a talk to the PM Masters cohort on the benefits of APM student membership.
David Ward	I have worked in Project Management for a while now and felt that becoming a Committee Member of my local APM Branch would give me an excellent opportunity to share my skills and experiences (good & bad) with other like-minded professionals. This role would also offer me greater networking opportunities within the PM field. I feel that I would be able to offer general support to the types of activities that are described within APM Branch Role descriptions document.	My background is in Military Engineering, and as my career developed I moved into Project Management. Throughout my career I have honed my commercial, financial and general business skills whilst leading multi disciplined & multi cultural teams delivering complex tasks and projects on a global stage, often in demanding environments. I feel that my skills and experiences would greatly benefit other branch members.	N/A
Jake Younger	As a current committee member i am motivated to continue supported the team in my role as Communications Lead and in supporting the annual PMC	Enthusiasm, a Collaborative approach, a willingness to support the team, 4 years of Project Management experience, and a drive to enhance the branch.	Supporting the PMC during the tricky COVID time and developing a communications plan