###### **COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2025**

1. A postal and electronic ballot for the election of new Council members will take place March 2025.

2. Please complete nomination form (page 2).

3. Supporting statement to include why you would like to serve on Council, and details such as position, honours, degrees and professional qualifications.

4. A high-res digital headshot must be submitted. The supporting statement and photo will be published in *Geoscientist*, the website and used by an independent ballot service provider.

5. The nomination must be supported by a **PROPOSER AND TWO OTHER FELLOWS**. Please provide e-signatures/membership numbers on the completed form (page 2).

***Please note:*** *No Fellow may propose more than one Fellow as a member of Council and no Fellow may second more than three Fellows as members of Council.*

6. Nominations should be fully completed and submitted to [secretary@geolsoc.org.uk](mailto:secretary@geolsoc.org.uk) by 23:59 on **Monday 13 January 2025.**

7. Please read the below to confirm you are eligible:

The Geological Society is a charity and members of Council act as Trustees. Under the Charities Act 2011 individuals in the categories below are ineligible:

* Having an unspent conviction for an offence involving deception or dishonesty, terrorism offences, money laundering, bribery, misconduct in public office, perjury, perverting the course of justice, contravention of Orders of the Charity Commission (s.77 of the Charities Act 2011); attempting, aiding or abetting these offences,
* Having an unspent sanction for contempt of Court,
* Is an undischarged bankrupt or has a composition or arrangement with creditors which includes an individual voluntary arrangement (IVA), debt relief order and/or a bankruptcy order,
* Being a person who has been removed from charity trusteeship, or as an officer, agent or employee of a charity by the Court or the Charity Commission for misconduct or mismanagement; under s34(5)(e) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, or earlier relevant legislation, from being concerned in the management or control of any body,
* Has been disqualified by the Charity Commission,
* Is a disqualified company director,
* Being a designated person under specific anti-terrorist legislation,
* Being on the Sex Offenders’ Register,
* Disobeying a Charity Commission Order or direction.

All candidates proposed and meeting the necessary requirements will be included in a list for the postal and electronic ballot unless any nominees subsequently withdraw. Ballot papers will be sent out in March 2025. The ballot results will determine the final list for the Annual General Meeting on 11 June 2025.

**NOMINATION FORM OVERLEAF**

**COUNCIL ELECTION 2025 – NOMINATION FORM**

**NAME OF NOMINEE** (please incl. title):

## SUPPORTING STATEMENT *(no more than 200 words)*

## *In preparing your statement, please consider the Society’s* [*Strategy and Values*](https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/About/Strategy-and-Values) *and also the Candidate Advice on the* [*Council Elections 2025*](https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/councilelections) *page of the website)*

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|  | Title | First name/names | Surname | Membership no. | Signature |
| **Proposer** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Seconder 1** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Seconder 2** |  |  |  |  |  |

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE CONSENTING TO THEIR NOMINATION

I agree to be nominated as a member of Council and I confirm that I know of no reason under the Charities Act 2011 which would exclude me from holding office as a Trustee. I give consent for personal information provided as part of this nomination to be held on computer or other relevant filing systems in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

Name:

E-Signature:

Date:

**Please send form and digital photo to:-** Clerk to Council [secretary@geolsoc.org.uk](mailto:secretary@geolsoc.org.uk)