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THE LEARNED SOCIETY OF WALES

Treasurer – role description

The Treasurer is one of the five key Honorary Officers of the Learned Society of Wales. They play a vital role in driving our strategy, planning activities and ensuring the charity's long-term success. The Treasurer works closely with the other Officers (the President, the Vice-President for Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, the Vice-President for Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine and the General Secretary). At staff level, they are supported by the Chief Executive, Clerk, Finance Officer and Governance Officer. The Treasurer sits on the Society's Council (board of trustees) and other key committees.

Term of office:
The Treasure will serve a term of three society years, starting at the close of our AGM on 19 May 2027. The Treasurer may seek re-election for a second term of three years, after which they will not be eligible for re-election.

Key responsibilities:

- Presenting a proposed budget to Council, usually in June, for the following financial year. This shows the Society's expected income sources and areas of expenditure.
- In Autumn, presenting to Council the accounts for the previous financial year. These are independently examined by an external accountant, who is appointed annually by Council at the AGM.
- Chairing the Finance Committee (Three 1.5-hour meetings each year), which develops budgets, oversees funds, monitors income and expenditure.
- To attend, as necessary, at the Annual General Meeting of the Society, at such other General Meetings as may be convened, and also, as appropriate, at meetings of senior committees established by the Council which includes Council meetings (Four 2-hour meetings each year), Governance Oversight Committee (Two 1.5-hour meetings each year) and the Executive Committee (Ten 1-1.5-hour meetings each year).
- To contribute to setting the Society's strategic direction ensuring that it represents Wales internationally in the world of learning and offers authoritative, scholarly and critical comment and advice at the highest levels on policy issues affecting Wales.
- To participate in the Society's programme of events, including attending lectures, seminars and other meetings on a necessarily selective but appropriate basis.

- To assist and support the staff of the Society as required, e.g. assessing grant applications, chairing workshops, etc.
- To behave at all times with the integrity necessary to maintain public confidence in the role, the Society and Welsh academic and intellectual life.

Ex-officio membership:

- Council (Board of Trustees)
- The Executive Committee
- Finance Committee (Chair)
- Governance Oversight Committee

Please see here for a description of these committees.