**ARBORICULTURAL ASSOCIATION**

***THE AA – The Voice of Arboriculture***

**VOTING SLIP – TRUSTEE/DIRECTOR**

VOTING OPTIONS

1. **As many of you are aware the voting for trustees/directors can lead to lengthy queues on entry to the AGM. To reduce those delays we welcome your use of a proxy vote, even if you are attending the AGM. Please complete the section on page 3 to vote by proxy.**
2. **If attending the AGM, please PRINT, COMPLETE and BRING along to the AGM.**

**To appoint two Trustees/Directors for the term AGM 2016 – AGM 2017 from the list of 3 nominees overleaf.**

**Please select your preferred candidates by marking alongside your choice with a cross,   
as in the example below. You can select just one candidate if you wish, but please do not   
select any more than two candidates:**

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| **#** | **Taylor – Susan**  **Reasons for wishing to be elected as a Trustee of the AA**  …………………  **Relevant Experience**  ………………… | X |

**If attending the AGM and voting on the night 5th September please make your selection, sign the document and it will be collected by a member of the AA team at the AGM.**

NOMINEES

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| **1** | **Ian Murat**  **Reasons for wishing to be elected as a Trustee of the AA**  I believe myself to be competent in arboriculture and can offer the skills and experience you  are looking for.  I can demonstrate dedication to the role and can meet the time commitment and can also undertake  to attend training and development and engage pro-actively in the role. I can analyse complex information and reach sensible conclusions by demonstrating the ability to communicate effectively with a diverse range of people in a constructive manner. I can work with others effectively and believe teamwork enhances overall performance and can lead to better decisions and services. I am looking for an opportunity to use my expertise to support the Arboricultural Association and offer my skills as a trustee  in an environment where I can bring real value to a board. I am particularly looking for a role where  I can bring relevant experience to the table to strengthen the skills base.  **Relevant Experience**  I have been involved in arboriculture for the last twenty-five years in private practcie but with minor  roles in public service. I have held a number of minor roles in the AA having served on the Education Committee and as an assessor for the Arboricultural Association’s Registered Consultant scheme.  I am able to demonstrate a sharing of the values including that of probity in the public arena and  can also demonstrate a commitment to the Arboricultural Association’s aims. I have a ‘duty of care’  ethos which is at the heart of everything I do. |  |
| **2** | **William Rolph**  **Reasons for wishing to be elected as a Trustee of the AA**  I wish to stand as a board member or committee member to help improve industry standards and  the way that arboriculture is seen as an industry. I wish to help educate and implicate appropriate management of urban wooded areas and compile training, lectures or literature to help manage trees  and highlight why proper management is needed. I have a strong attention to the management of  ancient and veteran trees for the appropriate retention and strategies to be put in place.  **Relevant Experience**  I have worked in the practical side of arboriculture for 5 years as a groundsman then progressing onto a climbing arborist after a year or so. Along side this I have 3 years training at Sparsholt College Hampshire and I am currently working towards my BSc Arboriculture degree. From January 2016 I have been working and focusing on consultancy and I have now started my own consulting business. |  |
| **3** | **Mike Sankus**  **Reasons for wishing to be elected as a Trustee of the AA**  I have been a member of the AA for over 29 years, having joined whilst attending the ND Arboriculture course at Merrist Wood. I firmly believe in the Association’s aims and objectives and consider that the organisation fulfils a key role in representing, promoting and advancing the arboricultural profession  in the UK and overseas. I have benefited greatly from being a member and wish to continue with my contribution to the work of the AA by being re-elected as a Trustee.  **Relevant Experience**  My 31 years in arboriculture has been spent as a local government tree officer, providing an advisory service to planners, managing TPOs, and managing Council owned trees and woodland. I have also worked in higher education, teaching the arboricultural module of a BSc (Hons) Landscape Management course. Collectively, this has given me a broad experience in most aspects of arboriculture.  I was first elected as a Trustee in 2013 and in 2014 served as vice-chairman of the AA. I also sit on the Professional Committee of the AA and am chair of the SE branch, which meets regularly & runs numerous training events for members. I am also an active member of the London Tree Officers’ Association. |  |

**VOTE BY PROXY**

**If you are voting prior to the AGM you may do so electronically by nominating a proxy. This may   
be another named member who is attending the AGM or Simon Richmond (Senior Technical Officer)   
or Simon Cox (Technical Officer).**

**When you have made your selections from the above list please complete the section below,   
signing at the end of this document, and returning it to Kay (Chadwick) at Head Office by either   
email to** [kay@trees.org.uk](mailto:kay@trees.org.uk) **or alternatively by post, to** Arboricultural Association, The Malthouse,   
Stroud Green, Standish, Stonehouse, Glos GL10 3DL, UK **ensuring the document is with us prior   
to Thursday September 1st 2016.**

I hereby appoint the following       being a member of the Arboricultural Association, to act as my proxy to vote in my name at the Annual General Meeting of the charity to be held on **Monday 5th September 2016** or at any adjournment thereof.

**Signed:**

**Full Name (in CAPITALS):**

**Date:**

**Membership Number:**

**Address:**

**1 August 2016**