

Trustee Election Statements

Annual General Meeting, 20th June 2026

Background information

Four Trustees have come to the end of their term of office – Simon Brearley, Sally Hinton, Oliver Chan and Derren Naylor. Simon Brearley and Sally Hinton are offering themselves for re-election. Adele Buckley has indicated that she will resign as a Trustee at the AGM. In addition, we are pleased to have received nominations from three members (Linda Levick, Jim Mould and Jacqueline Rattray) for election to the Board.

The election statements below are presented in alpha order of surname and taken directly from the nominees' statements, but have been cut off where the number of words exceeds the stated limits.

Election statements start on the next page.

Simon Brearley (re-election)

What skills, knowledge or experience can you bring to the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? *(100 words maximum)*

I have been involved with the CVCLT since its inception. I am a chartered surveyor with extensive experience of all kinds of properties within the local and regional area. I have experience of working with commercial property owners and developers in addition to local authorities and other governmental bodies.

Previously I was a member of Todmorden Pride the town team for Todmorden and was involved in the delivery of a number of successful regeneration projects within the town.

I have been a local resident for a number of years and have built up a good range of contacts.

We want you to get something out of being a Trustee for the Calder Valley Community Land Trust. Tell us why you want to be a trustee. *(100 words maximum)*

I am keen to get involved with the local community and derive a huge amount of satisfaction from being able to help with the well being of the local community. I feel that my expertise within the property market brings a skill set to the CVCLT which is difficult to replicate.

What is your vision for the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? *(100 words maximum)*

My vision is for the CVCLT to becoming fully self-sustaining financially so that it can continue to work to provide affordable housing, along with other benefits to the local community. The CVCLT has the potential to be a force for good over an extended period and to help to ensure that no local residents feel priced out of the local area.

In addition, the CVCLT is able to use its influence to lever additional grant funding into the area and help to support the local economy.

Give us any other relevant information in support of your nomination? *(100 words maximum)*

I have seen the CVCLT grow from an embryonic idea into the vibrant organisation that it is today. I would like to continue to work with trustees and members to get to the point where the CVCLT is able to be self-sustaining. I feel that I am in a good position using the experience that I have already gained to be able to help with that journey.

Sally Hinton (re-election)

What skills, knowledge or experience can you bring to the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? *(100 words maximum)*

When I retired, I wanted to build on my professional career, experience new challenges and contribute something to the Calder Valley and I was elected as a Trustee of CVCLT in 2020 and I am now seeking re-election.

I have worked in many aspects of housing development, for charities, local authorities, housing associations, government and more strategic organisations. As a volunteer, I am also involved in a social enterprise in Midgley, which successfully runs a community shop and community room. This followed the purchase of the Old Co-operative building in the village, following extensive local fundraising and successful grant applications.

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I have had a busy working life and built up areas of expertise, I want to continue to use my knowledge and skills and be part of a team working towards worthwhile goals.

What is your vision for the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? *(100 words maximum)*

An organisation which is rooted in the Upper Calder Valley, committed to improving the quality and quantity of affordable housing for the people in the area as well as supporting other groups to develop and own places and spaces.

I am very interested in the scope of projects undertaken by CVCLT and see the inclusion of newbuild homes, obtaining existing homes and the renovation of more historic buildings as a strength which could be developed.

Give us any other relevant information in support of your nomination? *(100 words maximum)*

I am a (lapsed) Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Housing.

Linda Levick

What skills, knowledge or experience can you bring to the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? (100 words maximum)

From my time as a Todmorden Town Councillor I have experience of budgets, governance, and the working of the planning system. I was involved in developing the Local Plan.

My career with various museum services has given me skills in managing people, caring for listed buildings, and marketing.

Last year, I was part of Calderdale's Retrofit Challenge. 6 intense sessions with 25 other Calderdale residents, where after much input from industry experts we came up with recommendations on how to encourage people to retrofit their homes.

I am sorry to admit my IT skills are basic.

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I have been thinking at length about how to use my retirement time most usefully. In this wealthy country everyone should have a safe, affordable home. As we know, this is far from the case for many people. To be able to make even a small difference would be so rewarding.

What is your vision for the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? (100 words maximum)

From little acorns... In the relatively short time the CVCLT has been in existence it has achieved so much, mainly on a small scale. Building on everything which has been learnt ... Mighty oaks will grow.

Give us any other relevant information in support of your nomination? (100 words maximum)

I must confess to the crime of being a southerner. In my defence, I have lived happily in the Calder Valley for more than 40 years, and have no intention of leaving.

My passion is buildings, both old and new. I am a member of both SPAB and the 20th Century Society. I believe that before any reasonably sound building is demolished and replaced, re-use should always be considered.

Jim Mould

What skills, knowledge or experience can you bring to the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? *(100 words maximum)*

I have worked in the construction industry since 1979, first as a quantity surveyor and then in various project management disciplines on a wide range of projects (housing, civils, office, schools, colleges, universities and local authority). I am experienced in project start up, pre-construction development, construction delivery and post construction close out. I have acted as a contract administrator under the JCT and NEC forms of contract and been involved in resolving many challenging issues.

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I wish to contribute to my community in ways that take advantage of what I have learned and achieved in my working life. CVCLT is involved in a range of interesting and varied projects aligned to housing and community needs and environmental aims that I respect and would wish to be part of. I am drawn to the Trust's people who are welcoming and clearly a source of rich, knowledgeable and varied experience.

What is your vision for the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? *(100 words maximum)*

I envision the Trust growing and going from strength to strength by capitalising on its members' talent and innate agility of a small versatile organisation. In so doing the Trust will be able to continue to tackle more significant projects, enhance its already positive reputation and be regarded as one of the important positive forces in Calder Valley.

Give us any other relevant information in support of your nomination? *(100 words maximum)*

Jacqueline Rattray



Trust? (100 words maximum)

I bring strong governance, strategic planning and community-focused experience from my work in sustainable buildings and retrofit. As a Senior Bid Writer, I manage complex projects, stakeholder engagement and compliance, ensuring clarity, accountability and evidence-based decision-making. I have a growing specialism in decarbonisation and community energy, currently developed through my MSc in Sustainable Buildings. I understand the challenges of delivering affordable, low-carbon homes in Calder Valley and can contribute skills in feasibility assessment, social value, partnership building and long-term sustainability planning. I am committed to community-led housing and improving local resilience.

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I've lived in the Calder Valley for over 30 years, and this place has shaped who I am. I care deeply about affordable, secure homes rooted in local need, and I'm passionate about the role community energy can play in building resilience and reducing costs for residents. Becoming a trustee feels like a natural extension of the values I already hold, so fairness, community, and long-term sustainability. It also aligns with my MSc in Sustainable Buildings and my personal goal to contribute more meaningfully to the valley's future. I want to give something back while continuing to grow.

What is your vision for the Calder Valley Community Land Trust? (100 words maximum)

My vision is for the Calder Valley Community Land Trust to continue providing genuinely affordable homes rooted in local need, while growing into a wider force for community resilience. I'd love to see the Trust explore community energy as a natural next step, helping residents reduce bills, cut carbon and build shared ownership of local energy solutions. I imagine a Trust that protects land for the community, champions sustainable, low-carbon development, and strengthens the valley for the long term through partnership, fairness and local empowerment.

Give us any other relevant information in support of your nomination? (100 words maximum)

I bring over 20 years' experience as a paralegal, executive assistant and now Senior Bid Writer, giving me strong governance, organisational, administrative and communication skills. I have solid IT capability and experience managing complex digital systems. I can support funding applications and help identify opportunities for the Trust. My background in sustainability and community energy also aligns with the Trust's environmental aims. I'm reliable, rooted in the Calder Valley, and committed to contributing steadily and constructively as part of the trustee team.