
Election of Trustees to the NASACRE Executive

At every annual general meeting of the members of the CIO, one third of the elected charity trustees shall retire from office. Therefore, **there are 4 vacancies for Trustees**.

SACREs in paid-up membership are invited to nominate one candidate for election as trustee to serve on the NASACRE Executive; the normal length of service is 3 years.

Being a member of the Exec is an active role, requiring a **commitment of time and energy** to support the work of NASACRE in serving the SACREs. Exec members are volunteers and **do not represent** specific SACREs or faith groups.

In 2026 we are looking for new Trustees who can help with finance, communications and conference organisation.

A nomination must include:

- a brief biographical note (100 words max) from the nominee to explain their background and experience of working with SACRE
- a brief statement (100 words max) from the nominee about the ways in which they hope to contribute to the work of NASACRE, addressing the specific role descriptors they feel they would like to fill
- a statement (100 words max) from their SACRE Chair or Vice Chair about the nominee's ability to contribute to and support the work of NASACRE

A Trustee of a CIO must meet certain criteria. By completing the nomination form you are confirming that you are eligible to serve as a trustee and that none of the automatic disqualification criteria apply. You are therefore declaring that:

- You are not disqualified from acting as a charity trustee under sections 178–180 of the Charities Act 2011.
- None of the automatic disqualification criteria apply to you, including:
 - being an undischarged bankrupt or subject to bankruptcy restrictions
 - having certain criminal convictions, especially for dishonesty, deception, terrorism, money laundering, or bribery
 - having been removed as a trustee by the Charity Commission or a court
 - being disqualified as a company director
 - being on the sex offenders register
- You understand that you must inform NASACRE immediately if your eligibility changes.
- You are over 18 years old

Nominations must be emailed to exec.officer@nasacre.org.uk by Monday 11 May 2026

A SACRE may make one nomination.

NASACRE Trustee Nomination Form

NAME OF SACRE **Newham**

NAME OF NOMINEE **Mr Saquat Ali**

CONTACT EMAIL **Text**

SACRE Group to which nominee belongs (*Tick one*)

- Group A** – Other denominations and faiths
 - Group B** – Church of England
 - Group C** – Teacher associations
 - Group D** – The Local Authority
 - Not a SACRE member**, but employed in an adviser/officer role
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Are you currently Chair/Vice-Chair/officer of your SACRE? **No**

If so, what role? **N/A**

NOMINEE BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Background and experience of working with SACRE (100 words)

I am an Investment Banker, Project Manager and Director with strong commercial judgement, strategic leadership skills, and extensive experience gained at leading global financial institutions. Since 2008, I have served as a Parent, Co-Opted and Chair of Governors, representing both the Newham Governors Forum and Newham School Forum, working closely with the Local Authority on education and school budget matters. I have also been an active member of Newham SACRE for over a decade and part of the Newham Interfaith Group, collaborating with the Mayor's Office and local community organisations. I currently serve on the NASACRE Executive Committee as Treasurer.

NOMINEE STATEMENT

Ways in which the nominee hopes to contribute to specific NASACRE roles (100 words)

I am keen to continue serving as NASACRE Treasurer, supporting the Executive to maintain strong financial governance and ensure the organisation is well positioned to serve its members effectively. Drawing on my professional experience in investment banking, project management, governance, and controls, I bring strategic and financial expertise to the role. I have also supported the transition and establishment of NASACRE's CIO structure, helping strengthen governance, accountability, and operational processes. My focus remains on ensuring robust financial controls, transparency, sustainability, and value for money for our membership while supporting the continued growth and development of the organisation.

SACRE CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR STATEMENT

Statement on suitability of nominee for proposed NASACRE role (100 words)

Saqat has been a faithful and active member of our SACRE. He is articulate and thoughtful in all he contributes. He represents governors on our SACRE and always brings that voice to all our discussions and plans. We are very proud of the work he does with NASACRE to help with the finances and hope this will continue.

CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR DECLARATION

I hereby confirm our nomination to the NASACRE Executive.

NAME Canon Councillor Ann Easter

DATE 08/05/2026

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