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Dear Fellows,

### **Voting is now open: election of Council members for 2024**

On behalf of the President and Council, I am pleased to announce that voting is now open in this year's Council election. By casting your vote you can shape our Council and ensure it represents all Fellows in the year ahead.

This year's election will fill three vacancies on Council for 2024 and I am pleased that the ballot list offers a diverse range of candidates in terms of subject expertise, gender, geography and ethnicity. My thanks to those Fellows who have helped us to achieve this – either by standing for election, supporting candidates or encouraging the participation of others in any way. We appreciate the time this takes and are mindful of the commitment it entails.

We are delighted to collaborate once again with Civica Election Services to deliver this year's election. I urge Fellows to take advantage of this accessible opportunity to participate in an important Academy governance process. The Academy Council should be representative of the Fellowship itself and it is vital that Fellows express their preferences for the composition of our governing body.

A full [list of candidates and details of their supporting nominators](#) is available on our election platform and also on the [Academy website](#). Candidate statements are included in the ballot materials online. Please follow the instructions provided to vote electronically.

**The ballot will close at 17:00 on Tuesday 7 November** and the results of this year's election will be announced at the Academy's Annual Fellows' Meeting on 5 December 2023 - after which they will appear on the Academy website.

Now it's over to you to cast your vote.

Yours sincerely,



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