

First name:	Surname:	What motivated you to put yourself forward for election to the Branch committee?	What qualities, skills and experience do you think you'll bring to the Branch committee?
Martin	Elsner	I volunteer for APM Northern Ireland Branch since 2015. Currently I'm the Branch Secretary. I thoroughly enjoy serving on the Committee, and therefore I would like to be able to continue my work for another year.	Owing to my experience of working across both public and private sectors, I can relate to, and understand, the challenges facing a wide project management community. In terms of my abilities, I am reliable and well organised. I have good communication skills.
Katherine	Hanratty	I welcome the opportunity to further PPM awareness and it is rewarding to give back to the profession, continuing my involvement with this branch. I am an advocate for ChPP and for the promotion of Project Management as a profession. I championed Project Delivery in the NI Civil Service Awards and am Head of Profession for Project Delivery in the Northern Ireland Civil Service, I am working to strengthen this capability in the public sector. I am a mentor and see opportunity to develop links with schools to encourage awareness of PPM and related career paths. I am working with colleagues to improve collaboration with educational, professional, commercial and public bodies across NI, with the Republic of Ireland and across the UK and to celebrate Project Management Achievements through the promotion of regional and national awards.	I achieved FAPM in 2021 following ChPP in 2018, having gained RPP earlier and MAPM. I am a civil servant and qualified Architect. I am Head of Profession for Project Delivery in the Northern Ireland Civil Service and the NICS representative to the APM with links to the UK Government Infrastructure Projects Authority. I bring experience of leading projects in the private sector and public sectors. I have been a member of the NI Branch committee since 2014, holding the position of branch secretary prior to chair in 2019.



Chris	Hughes	I have been a member of the APM since 2013 and have completed three qualifications with APM up to and including ChPP. I feel passionate about the Project Management profession and would welcome the opportunity to help grow the APM awareness with the NI branch committee. I'm a keen advocate for ChPP and feel that there is an opportunity to encourage more professionals to choose this as their route for Chartership both in NI and ROI. I have benefitted in my career from the APM membership, the library of information and CPD events and would like the opportunity as a committee member to give something back. I also see an opportunity to grow partnerships with schools and colleges to grow the project management profession and the NI branch is a great place to maximise this opportunity.	Having graduated with a degree in Building Project Management, I now have over 13 years' experience as a Project Manager working in the construction industry across a variety of sectors including education, leisure, housing, and commercial developments in NI / ROI and England. My particular skills include procurement, contract management, dispute resolution, commercial negotiations, leadership, risk management, programme management, people management and excellent communication skills. I have completed the APM Project Management Qualification (2015), APM Practitioner Qualification (2017) and achieved Chartered Project Professional (2019) so fully aware of the available routes and qualifications that the APM offer to professionals. I'm currently a Technical Director with McAdams responsible for a team of Project Managers and therefore have experience of the needs of current project managers and how these needs could be met by the APM.
Colin	McCarthy	I am passionate about both developing and maintaining standards within Project management and believe that with 50 years of experience and knowledge as a construction professional I am able to contribute to developing APM in N.I.	I have a broad experience within the construction, including acting as a PM on a wide range of project types, both within the UK and aboard. I am a good communicator and have been Chair of both the Construction Professionals' Council N.I. and N.I. Construction Group, as well as being involved in a number government/industry working groups.



Jill	Shaw	I am an existing committee member and wish to play my part to further the Project Community within Northern Ireland. I enjoy sharing my experiences and lessons learned with others and collaborating with others, presenting and facilitating learning and am an enthusiastic current member of the APM branch.	My current role at the Open University as a module chair for a postgraduate Project Management course gives me useful insight and connections to the higher education sector, and I have 20 years' experience working in Technology across a variety of contexts including systems analysis, lecturing, corporate reporting, system upgrades, PM and change management. In my previous work as PM on financial technology projects for Queen's University Belfast, I focused on the implementation of a replacement budgeting and forecasting system for the University. My experience in implementing change within the University context gave me useful knowledge and skills, particularly in engaging stakeholders and addressing/managing resistance to change. My PG study on Technology Management along with previous work on implementing change, specifically software and systems has given me excellent skills in supporting the change process through effective communication and clear goals.
Paul	Spray	Since June 2013 I have led the delivery of Ulster University's new £358M Belfast campus development and have formed many positive relationships with regional project delivery professionals, businesses and education institutions. As an APM member since 2018, my motivations for election, include strengthening relationships across the regional project management community as well as on the Island of Ireland and across the UK, supporting the advancement of the profession and its practices. Project management professionals are uniquely placed to positively influence many important modern-day project delivery challenges, including embedding sustainable practices, creating conditions for project success, adopting digital advancements and bringing about reform in project procurement and delivery. I look forward to making a positive contribution to the committee, its members and the stakeholders, communities, and wider society that APM project delivery professionals serve while also promoting the APM's positive contribution to commerce, the economy and public policy objectives.	I have twenty-two years international project delivery experience, leading multiple projects across all phases in a variety of leadership roles. I am experienced in sustained high-performance project leadership in large complex organizations and complex operating environments. I bring numerous skills and experience to the committee, including the ability to successfully promote and develop the project management profession, from my experience as project management capability leader across Australia and New Zealand (ANZ) for Davis Langdon (Aecom). In this role I led the ANZ project management business capability development in all aspects, including service delivery, performance, continuous improvement, market growth and resource development. Working collaboratively with the AIPM, I also supported approximately 150 ANZ project management staff through the AIPM chartered project professional programme. I'm excited at the prospect of contributing to the committee and believe my qualities, skills and experience will be of great benefit to the committee and APM members.

