Second Warden - Election statement by Bob Harris - August 2020



Proposer: John Pulford

Seconders: John Corneille

Patrick Chapman

Why I am standing for Second Warden

I have been Third Warden for the last three years and wish to seek re-election as a Warden for a further year. It is not my intention to progress to Master, but I will support those colleagues who wish to do so. We have made progress over the last three years in managing the resources of the Company more effectively, and in ensuring that our major events are more effectively planned and delivered. There is more to be done and I have already been involved with the Master and Wardens in refreshing our three-year plan.

In terms of specific initiatives, I will continue to support the chair of the Pro-Bono Committee and remain involved in our major programme of work with YBI until a successor has been agreed. I will also continue to represent the Company on the Pan-Livery Steering Group and to support the work by the group to better articulate the charitable giving and pro-bono support provided by Livery Companies.

During the last year, I was also asked to become the Chair of the re-established Events Committee and helped to establish a range of virtual events when the restrictions arising from covid-19 came into effect. I will continue to support the new Master on offering a broader mix of events for Company members to attend, including a greater number of less formal events in different settings. I will also help to encourage and facilitate the involvement of all our members in a selection of activities.

After a career as a management consultant working for EY and then Accenture, and as a Founder member of the Company, I also intend to support the re-connection of the Company with the management consulting profession and enhance our membership in the major practices, and to help guide the development of CMCE to contribute to this objective. I am hopeful that the recent call for covid-19 case studies from over 50 major MC practices as part of the relaunched Urwick Cup award will help to raise our profile in the profession.

Bob Harris 24 August 2020