

Transport Planning Society

ELECTION TO THE TPS BOARD 2024 NOMINATED CANDIDATES

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1. Roger Evans

I wish to join the Board for two reasons:

1. As an industry LGBTQ+ role model I would like to help TPS continue to evolve and diversity with strong representation from a business leader who understands what discrimination looks and feels like but has and will continue to bring about positive change in our industry.
2. I have a passion for working with the public sector in general and local government in particular. As our profession feels the pinch of ever decreasing budgets against a backdrop of ever increasing demands, I would like to help shape what things look like and how we can collaboratively deliver innovation, decarbonise and offer good value for money. We're no longer in the era of "more for less", so understanding and providing guidance about "less for less" or "different for less" is something I passionately would like to bring about.

2. Darren Kirkman

The TPS plays a vital role shaping the future of transport planning and its impact on society. I've been a member for six years; I was North West regional rep between 2020-2022 and I'm a PDS mentor. I've previously worked for TfGM and Merseytravel and I'm now an Associate Director with SYSTRA based in London.

If elected, I'd champion:

1. Continuous learning in our profession. Technological changes and AI provide challenges and opportunities for transport planners, and we need to be able to respond and adapt.
2. Continuing the Board's efforts to raise the profession's profile externally. We should be a prominent voice making the case publicly for net zero and a less car-dependent society.
3. Collaboration. I'd like to see us create more opportunities for members from all parts of the UK - from the public, private and academic sectors - to meet, network, and share ideas.