LEADERSHIP MATTERS

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE NSW DIVISION COMMITTEE 2018-2020 AND YOUNG PLANNERS NETWORK COMMITTEE 2018-2019

Dear PIA members

At the NSW Division Committee meeting in October 2018 a number of Division Committee positions will become vacant. Leadership matters, and this is an important time to be actively involved in the Institute. Eligible members are invited to consider nominating for one of our key positions:

- 5x Committee Members
- Local Government Network Convenor
- Branch Convenor - Northern NSW
- Branch Convenor - Hunter
- Branch Convenor - Southern NSW

The NSW Young Planners Network Committee also seeks nominations from eligible members to form their 2018-2019 Committee:

- 20 Young Planners Network Committee Members

All nominations will be accepted without election except in the instance where the number of nominations exceeds the number of positions vacant for the role(s), in which case an election will be called.

A note about the Division-Elected National Board Director: Current NSW Division-elected national board director Steve O'Connor RPIA (Fellow) will assume office as PIA's National President at PIA's AGM in November, creating a casual vacancy in the NSW Division-elected director position at that time.

PIA will issue a call for expressions of interest for this position at a later date and the Board will appoint a Member to fill the casual vacancy in accordance with the Constitution. Eligible Members who have nominated for Division Committee positions in response to the below call for nominations will still be able to submit an expression of interest for the Director position at that time if they wish.

DIVISION COMMITTEE MEMBER & LG NETWORK CONVENOR

The role of the Division Committee is to engage with the members in their division to assist in the delivery of PIA's Strategic Plan and annual business plans. The Committee meets every two months and contributes to key activities throughout the year via agreed roles and responsibilities.
The Committee consists of 17 members, and elected candidates serve for a two-year term. Election of the President and Vice President(s) will occur at the first meeting of the new Committee. Office bearer positions are held for a one-year term.

Further information on the role of the Committee is available in PIA's By-laws or by contacting a current Committee Member or the NSW Division President.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominees must be current members (in any grade) of the PIA NSW Division. Retiring Committee members are eligible for re-election.

Please note that according to PIA's Constitution and By-laws, Associate members may nominate and be elected to roles on the Division Committee but may not vote in a Divisional or Branch election and may not be an office bearer such as President or Vice-President.

ELECTION

If more nominations are received than there are positions vacant a Divisional election will be held.

BRANCH CONVENOR

The role of a Branch is to assist the Division Committee to engage with members in their geographic area and to assist in the delivery of PIA's Strategic Plan and annual business plans. Branches are accountable to the Division Committee.

For more information about this role, please contact your Division's Executive Officer (details below).

ELIGIBILITY

Nominees must be current members (in any grade) of the PIA NSW Division. Retiring Branch Convenors are eligible for re-election.

Please note that according to PIA's Constitution and By-laws, Associate members may nominate and be elected to roles on the Division Committee but may not vote in the Divisional election and may not be an office bearer such as President or Vice-President.

ELECTION

If more nominations are received than there are positions vacant, an election will be conducted and the Members within the relevant Branch(es) invited to vote.
YOUNG PLANNERS NETWORK COMMITTEE MEMBER

This is your chance to join a team of passionate Young Planners committed to connecting, supporting and informing NSW Young Planners through events, regular updates and representation.

Why be part of the NSW Young Planner’s Committee?

You’re given a platform to:

- Meet other like-minded young planners with different backgrounds, universities, sectors and professional experiences!
- Shape NSW planning policies and the future of our industry, advocating as a young planner for a better future!
- Create opportunities to connect young planners with industry leaders and other built environment professionals!
- Shape your professional institution, as a PIA member, being actively involved is the best way to meaningfully shape the organisation's values and ability to support and engage young planners.

The Committee consists of 20 members. Nominees should be eligible Young Planners prepared to serve for a one-year term, commit to attending at least 75% of meetings with no more than two absences in a row (unless approved), and available to help organize and attend events across the year focused on professional support and growing the careers of YPs across NSW.

ELIGIBILITY

A Young Planner is defined as “a person admitted as a Member or Associate, but who is within their fifth anniversary of graduation from the first educational qualifications that entitle the person to become eligible to be a Member”.

Nominees must be current members of the PIA NSW Division in any grade and Young Planners at the time of nomination and election. Retiring candidates are eligible for re-election with no limit on the number of consecutive terms provided they are still PIA members of the Division and still qualify as a Young Planner.

ELECTION

If more nominations are received than there are positions vacant, the existing Committee will conduct an election.

The Young Planners Network Committee will elect the NSW Young Planners Network Convenor from among their number later in 2018.
HOW TO NOMINATE

To nominate, complete and submit the online nomination form including a supporting statement of maximum 250 words which will be used to assist members in voting for their preferred nominee and will be used during elections and announcements. Your statement should address the following topics:

- Why you are nominating
- The skills and experience you can bring to the role
- What you intend to contribute to the Committee
- Any intentions or aims you have for the role and for PIA.

Division members may self-nominate.

Nominations close at 5.00PM AEST on 19 September 2018 and must be submitted via the online nomination form. Nominations received after this time cannot be accepted.

If you have any questions about how to nominate, please contact the Board Secretariat on 08 7122 9361 or at brenda.payne@planning.org.au.

FURTHER INFORMATION

All nominees who are elected will be required to complete Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest forms before commencing in their Committee role. If you require further information about these forms, please contact the Board Secretariat at brenda.payne@planning.org.au.

For any further information please contact the NSW Executive Officer Michelle Riepsamen on 02 7200 0810 or nswmanager@planning.org.au.

Yours sincerely
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