



10 March 2021

TO: ALL BRANCHES

Dear Branch Secretary,

ELECTION OF GENERAL SECRETARY & TREASURER 2021

With reference to my emailed letter of 3 February 2021 the Central Executive Council now invites Branch nominations for the post of General Secretary & Treasurer.

The members who have declared their intention to seek nominations, have completed a personal details form in accordance with the election by-laws and have satisfied the Central Executive Council's Finance & General Purposes Committee that they have complied with the election by-laws, are able to fulfil the range of duties set out in the General Secretary & Treasurer job competencies appended to the by-laws, are eligible under rule, and meet with the agreed qualifying standards and criteria are listed below:

- **Rehana Azam**
- **Giovanna Holt**
- **Gary Smith**

Personal details, a personal statement, photo and contact details for the above named are attached to assist the Branch in making a nomination.

I also enclose a copy of the election by-laws, including the General Secretary & Treasurer job competencies appendix, and a summary timetable.

The by-laws require that a nominee who receives fewer than 30 valid Branch nominations and does not receive a nomination from at least two different Regions, shall not qualify for candidature.

I now invite your Branch to submit a nomination and I attach a nomination form.

Your Branch's nomination must be on this form, and in accordance with by-law 9 should be submitted by email.

The Nomination Form is a word document. Please complete, save and return to me by email, or print off, complete, scan (or take a clear photograph) and return the form to me by email. As it may be difficult to ask your Branch President to sign the form, please return the form from your Branch Secretary activist email address, as this will count as the Branch Secretary's signature. There is a declaration on the form for you to indicate that the Branch President has also approved the Branch's nomination.

Please take care to show your Branch name legibly on the nomination form, so that it can be listed alongside your nominee's election address. If I cannot read the name of your Branch, it will not be included in the list of nominating branches.

The completed nomination form must reach me by **Wednesday 7 April 2021**. In accordance with by-law 9 the nomination form should be returned by email to steve.short@gmb.org.uk

If you do not receive an acknowledgement from me within 7 days of sending your nomination form, please contact me.

As required by law, the election will be conducted by a fully postal ballot among all financial members of the Union. Ballot papers will be distributed direct to members' home addresses.

The Independent Scrutineer for this election is Civica Election Services (formerly ERS), to whom votes must be returned to arrive by Wednesday 2 June 2021.

Yours sincerely

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NATIONAL RETURNING OFFICER

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