



## Ambassadors

The first Ambassadors of ALT were appointed in 2007. This role is restricted to individuals who can provide informal advice to ALT on matters within their area of interest and act as advocates for ALT in their sphere of influence.

At any one time we aim to appoint Ambassadors who reflect the varied membership that the Association serves including representation from across different sectors.

While each Ambassador will bring their own expertise to the role they will support ALT's aims and values as set out in the ALT strategy.

We provide appropriate support to enable Ambassadors to fulfil their role with the chief executive acting as the main point of contact and including:

- occasional joint meetings;
- opportunities to attend meetings of the Central Executive and other committees;
- involvement in activities or projects related to the Ambassadors' sphere of influence or expertise including policy work.

## How Ambassadors are appointed

1. Eligibility. Any individual, whether or not he or she is a member, may be nominated to become an Ambassador of ALT.
2. Entitlement to nominate. Any individual member of ALT or employee of an ALT member organisation is entitled to make or support nominations.
3. Normally no more than 6 Ambassadors serve ALT at any time and their appointment is reviewed every 3 years.
4. Ambassadors will be listed on the ALT website. On 1/2/2016 the Ambassadors were Professor J.Terence Mayes, Professor Wendy Hall, Mr Joe Wilson, Mr Bob Harrison and Mr Dick Moore.
5. The process will be managed by the Chief Executive of ALT.
6. It is a condition of the appointment that Ambassadors agree to abide by the rules of ALT. Any Ambassadors who do not or bring the Association into disrepute will be asked to step down.
7. A call for nominations for Ambassadors may be issued annually if there are vacancies.
8. Nominations for Ambassadors will be reviewed by a committee comprising:
  - a. the President and Chair of ALT;
  - b. the Chair of the ALT Communication and Publications Committee;
  - c. the ALT Honorary Secretary.
9. If any member of the review committee has an interest in the outcome of the process in respect of any of the nominees, he or she will stand down and be replaced.
10. The proceedings of the review committee will be confidential.
11. The remit of the review committee will be to:
  - a. consider all nominations for Ambassadors;
  - b. decide which nominees will be able to fulfil the role in line with the current strategy and considering the balance of representation across all Ambassadors;

- c. decide, from amongst those which if any of the nominees to recommend for the appointment(s).
- 12. In forming their views the review committee members will consider all the evidence provided and may seek further evidence from the proposers. They may also use their own direct knowledge where relevant.
- 13. The Central Executive Committee, or, exceptionally, the General Purposes Committee, will decide upon the recommendations of the review committee.
- 14. The decision of the Central Executive Committee, or, exceptionally, the General Purposes Committee, will be final.
- 15. This process for appointing Ambassadors will be reviewed from time to time and not less than 5 years from the previous review (last review 2015).

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