

Director Re-Election Continuation...

Section 3: Re-Election Statement

My role as a director of the ASC states that I am responsible for 'External Events', however I am of the opinion that as a 'Member' of the association I should do all that I can to represent the ASC and fellow members and I hope that I may be able to continue to do so as I seek re-election to the board.

In my role I have supported other directors and contributed to Governance improvements such as the ASC Bye Laws and Code of Conduct and Articles of Association. I believe it is imperative that the reputation of members and the ASC is maintained and enhanced within the security sector and I will continue to work to ensure this remains so.

Representing the ASC, I sit on the Security Commonwealth committee, during which I report on ASC activity and strategic goals. I am also part of a national working group representing the ASC, led by the National Security Inspectorate and the Home Office, creating the first British Standard for Counter Terrorism Security Consultants.

The ASC is its membership and as a member I understand and appreciate the close engagement and benefits of being part of a rich, diverse and respected network of security professionals. I have had the privilege to attend, and sometimes endure, the 'Working Group' events that were held at the HAC. But through continued member engagement and working with the board I have seen the old working group format transform into the seasonal seminars that are now hosted at the British Library. The contrast is vast, but this transformation I believe is evidence of the continued engagement with members and delivering continued professional development focused on enhancing members knowledge.

When I joined the board as External Events director, I attended all the events that the association was engaged in for that year which took over 30 days of my time. But I believe this was time well spent in evaluating and prioritising ASC activity externally. During this period, I have focused on engagement with key industry partners and enhancing our reputation and credibility within the sector. Key industry events such as ISE and TSE now trust the ASC in chairing key conferences and this year the ASC will deliver and host Day 2 of TSE. No other security association has this opportunity. Whilst I have led on this engagement, my role has been made easier owing to the reputation of our members and the board of directors. In addition, I have continued to develop relationships with other groups such as the MOD Careers Transition Partnership and New City College in order to establish long term partnerships and establish gateways into the security industry. A key objective for myself isn't just ensuring the ASC have a stand at a security event, it's placing the ASC and membership at the forefront of other industry's that we work in. This year the ASC will again be present at London Build and my vision is that we will also attend other non-security related events. Every industry needs security, so we need to have a diverse range of events to attend.

I believe that I have contributed to our collective continued professional development through the content and delivery of the Seminars and of course ConSec (which again has been transformed owing to the collective effort of the board). I have also sought to bring learning, networking and social engagement together through the ASC Archery event. There are plans for similar events in the near future.

I am proud of the industry we work in and I am privileged to call myself a member of the ASC. I have seen immense change and progress within the association, we now have our first COO, we own and manage the SABRE scheme and the ASC is now a Licensed Authority for CySP.

Section 4: Candidate Statement of Intent

The ASC has changed considerably from the association I joined over 6 years ago and if re-elected my vision is to ensure that the association builds upon the momentum of the last 2-3 years. As the Vice Chair and external events director, I will seek to build greater partnerships within the security sector, cement relationships with key industry partners and ensure the ASC are seen as a fundamental part of the security industry.

We have developed a good relationship with the Home Office and JSARC and we should seek to improve and further deepen this. If you are attended the Policing and Security Event in Farnborough, you will see that the registration process allows you to select security industry bodies, but the ASC is not listed. This is but one example where I will seek to ensure that our reputation and standing is recognised, included and the calibre of our members acknowledged

I believe over the next three to five years the ASC has the ability to grow its Academic membership and also offer security related qualifications such as Physical Security Professional (PSP). I also envisage greater reciprocal arrangements with international organisations, in just a short space of time the ASC has made tremendous gains in this area.

During my time as a director, it has been a privilege to see the transformation and growth of our annual conference, ConSec. But my vision is for even more, more opportunities to exhibit, more opportunities to sponsor, more opportunities for those attending and to see ConSec recognised as the leading security industry conference.

During the next 12-24 months we should see the implementation of the new Terrorism 'Protection of Property' Bill (Martyn's Law). I aim to bring my experience and knowledge over the last 22 years in the security industry to ensure that the ASC and its members are fully informed and where applicable, able to support their clients in meeting the challenges ahead. This I believe will be a fundamental part of our strategic development and a key objective.

I am mindful that you can spend years building and nurturing a respected reputation, I'm also mindful how easy the hard work can be undone. It is therefore imperative that I support the board and members in ensuring our professional standards are maintained and if required, enforced.

If re-elected I aim to focus on expanding and increasing our ability to provide enhanced member benefits through the Seminars and ConSec. In addition, I will be seeking to develop our standing at major events, this includes exhibiting as the ASC and also SABRE (so as fellow members I will seeking support from the 27 SABRE qualified members to facilitate a SABRE stand). I would also aim to use the associations rich membership to support each other so I will be pursuing 'Affiliate' members to host CPD events for members.

We are all members of the ASC, so we should strive to work even closer together and in support of each other's development.

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