



Institute of  
Public Works  
Engineering  
Australia

South Australian Division Inc

## PROFILES OF CANDIDATES

*Candidates' profiles appear in the same order as the voting form*

**NAME** Bernadette Ward  
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**EMPLOYER** City of West Torrens  
**CURRENT POSITION** Coordinator Asset Management  
**LENGTH OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING / SERVICES:** 4 years  
**QUALIFICATIONS** Bachelor Construction Management & Economics (Hons)  
Associate Diploma Civil Engineering  
Certificate IV Residential Building Drafting  
**MEMBER OF IPWEA SA SINCE** 2007



**SPECIAL INTERESTS** Asset Management, Project Management and Construction Management aligned to infrastructure projects for public works engineering. There are rewards in undertaking infrastructure projects that benefit the community and the project management and construction management aspects can be challenging at times.

**REASON FOR NOMINATING:** A personal interest in all aspects of public works engineering and in general any involvement with Civil Engineering. There is gratification on a personal level seeing the community grow and providing infrastructure projects that benefit them. Ability to commit and add value to an organisation at all levels synonymous with past and present experience within the industry.

### SKILLS/CAPABILITY YOU WOULD BRING TO IPWEA BOARD

Personal interest, commitment to IPWEA, dedication including skills required for a members contribution with an active involvement. Knowledge related to Asset Management, Construction Management and Project Management.

**NAME** Belinda Mastrullo  
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**EMPLOYER** Aurecon Australia Pty Ltd  
**CURRENT POSITION** Senior Civil Engineer  
**LENGTH OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING / SERVICES:**  
Almost 10 years.  
**QUALIFICATIONS** B Eng  
**MEMBER OF IPWEA SA SINCE:** 2002



**SPECIAL INTERESTS** Reading, spending time with my young family

**REASON FOR NOMINATING:** I have thought about it for a number of years and feel that now is the right time for me to commit my energy and enthusiasm to support the sector. I believe that a mix of people on the board whether they be from Councils, Suppliers, Contractors or Consultants, is crucial for the board to develop policies and strategies to assist in influencing the development of public works engineering into the future.

### SKILLS/CAPABILITY YOU WOULD BRING TO IPWEA BOARD

Civil engineering understanding to land developments (stormwater design including detention, BEW, sewer design, road design) and at the moment (for last 4 years) have been working within the Building/Civil section of our company working with high profile projects such as SAHMRI, Entertainment Centre, Adelaide Convention Centre and the Riverbank Bridge.

**NAME** Rita Excell  
**CONTACT EMAIL** rita.excell@arrb.com.au  
**EMPLOYER** ARRB Group  
**CURRENT POSITION** State Manager, South Australia  
**LENGTH OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING / SERVICES:** 18 years  
**QUALIFICATIONS** Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering  
**MEMBER OF IPWEA SA SINCE** 1997



**SPECIAL INTERESTS**

- Road Safety, Public Policy, Strategic Planning and Advocacy
- On a personal basis I have a keen interest in promoting how both employees and employers can benefit from achieving a successful structure to support an effective work /life balance

**REASON FOR NOMINATING:**

The reason for my nomination again this year is because I am now in a role that can effectively contribute to assist IPWEA to continue to grow in South Australia and to promote to State Government and other industry stakeholders the benefits of working with IPWEA and its members.

I would also be very keen to promote/increase the participation of women in Public Works Engineering roles and also within the membership of IPWEA.

**SKILLS/CAPABILITY YOU WOULD BRING TO IPWEA BOARD**

Excellent communication skills and public policy development capability; Extensive contacts across Australia through ARRB Group and our relationship with IPWEA offices nationally; Strong links to road safety community across Australia and Internationally.

**NAME** Stephen Fines-Phillips  
**CONTACT EMAIL** stephenfp@semgroup.com.au  
**EMPLOYER** SEM Group of Companies  
**CURRENT POSITION** General Manager Civil and Infrastructure  
**LENGTH OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING / SERVICES:** In total I have spent over 25 years in Civil engineering with 15 year in Local Government  
**QUALIFICATIONS** Incorporated Civil Engineer I. Eng  
HND Civil Engineering  
OND Building Studies  
**MEMBER OF IPWEA SA SINCE** 2004



**SPECIAL INTERESTS:** Civil Construction, Contracts and procurement, Development Engineering. Water Sensitive Urban Design and construction

**REASON FOR NOMINATING:** Public works engineering covers a vast range of services and affects the majority of the population. I believe that having a cross section of public and private sector providers including Councils, Consultants, Suppliers and Contractors on the board is crucial for the board to develop policies and strategies to assist in influencing public works engineering for the future. I have been on the board of the IPWEA since 2004 over this period we have, through board activities, initiatives and development of the IPWEA SA Branch increased our membership from 90 up to the present 274. I would like to continue as an active member of the board in the next phase of the advancement of IPWEA SA in what I believe will be a stimulating period for the organisation.

**SKILLS/CAPABILITY YOU WOULD BRING TO IPWEA BOARD** Having worked in civil engineering for over 25 years both in the public and private sector I have an excellent understanding of issues affecting public works engineering from both the public and private sector view points. Also having undertaken the company director's course and being on the board of the Civil Contractors Federation SA for a number of years I understand the commitment, obligation and responsibility required as a board member for an organisation to succeed. I also enjoy working with the dedicated members of the boards who have enabled the organisation to expand and develop significantly in recent years and look forward to hopefully being involved in the next stage of the branches growth.

**NAME** Bob Andrew  
**CONTACT EMAIL** bob.andrew@andrewandassoc.com.au  
**EMPLOYER** Andrew and Associates  
**CURRENT POSITION** Managing Director



**LENGTH OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING / SERVICES:** 30 years

**QUALIFICATIONS** ARMIT(Surv), DipT(Tech), GradDip(CivEng), LS

**MEMBER OF IPWEA SA SINCE** 2005

**SPECIAL INTERESTS**

My special work interest is the relationship between council engineering staff and the development industry. I am currently on the IPWEA Land Division Interest Group and can see some positive effects resulting from the actions of this group.

**REASON FOR NOMINATING:**

In the hope that my extensive and hard fought years of experience can count towards and further the ideals of IPWEA; I wish to make a positive contribution on all IPWEA issues and have the time and willingness to do that.

**SKILLS/CAPABILITY YOU WOULD BRING TO IPWEA BOARD**

Management skills from running my surveying and engineering consultancy for 25 years; I have a balanced, calm approach in resolution of issues; and I am a practical person who likes to finish what I start.

**NAME** John Devine  
**CONTACT EMAIL** JDevine@unley.sa.gov.au  
**EMPLOYER** City of Unley  
**CURRENT POSITION** General Manager Assets & Infrastructure  
**LENGTH OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING / SERVICES:** 30 years  
**QUALIFICATIONS** MBA; B Tech (Civil Eng); Chartered PEng  
**MEMBER OF IPWEA SA SINCE** 2004



**SPECIAL INTERESTS**

Asset Management; Integrated Planning; Development of Engineers, particularly our future leaders & building the profile of the profession

**REASON FOR NOMINATING:**

Opportunity to give something back to the public works profession. I have enjoyed being a board member during the last couple of years & believe I have more to offer

**SKILLS/CAPABILITY YOU WOULD BRING TO IPWEA BOARD**

Broad experience in Local Government and State Government and private sector; 6 years experience with local government nationally and NZ. Strategic thinking and decision making.

**NAME** Rod Ellis  
**CONTACT EMAIL** rod.ellis@tonkin.com.au  
**EMPLOYER** Tonkin Consulting  
**CURRENT POSITION** Executive Director  
**LENGTH OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING / SERVICES:** 24 years  
**QUALIFICATIONS** B Eng (Civil and MBA, Company Director Diploma)  
**MEMBER OF IPWEA SA SINCE:** 1997



**SPECIAL INTERESTS**

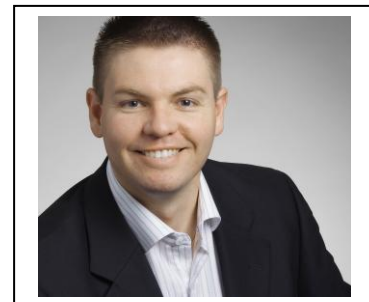
- Asset management for both metropolitan and rural councils
- Local Government Engineering Design
- Pavement Design

**REASON FOR NOMINATING:** Tonkin Consulting have been long time supporters and participants in IPWEA and I wish to continue to put back into the industry through a Board role.

**SKILLS/CAPABILITY YOU WOULD BRING TO IPWEA BOARD**

- Business and Director experience - 8 years Director of a Consulting Business
- Industry Association Experience -10 years on ACEA (now Consult Australia)
- Executive Committee
- Local Government Asset Management service delivery experience

**NAME** Matthew Morrissey  
**CONTACT EMAIL** matthew.morrissey@aecom.com  
**EMPLOYER** AECOM Australia Pty Ltd  
**CURRENT POSITION** Infrastructure Services Group Leader SA  
**LENGTH OF SERVICE IN PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING / SERVICES:** 15 years  
**QUALIFICATIONS**



- Associate Degree Civil Engineering, USQ.
- Diploma in Project Management, Deakin University.
- Advanced Project Management, Chifley Business School.

**MEMBER OF IPWEA SA SINCE** 2005

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:** Planning and urban development

**REASON FOR NOMINATING:** Matthew has been an active member of IPWEA in both NSW and SA and has instigated corporate membership to the industry in his current (AECOM) and previous employment. Matthew has worked with the industry and supported membership growth and has assisted in awareness of the industry body. Having worked in both the public and private sectors, Matthew appreciates the need to promote collaboration between these sectors to achieve outcomes that benefit the industry

**SKILLS/CAPABILITY YOU WOULD BRING TO IPWEA BOARD**

Matthew is responsible for the resourcing and management of staff undertaking infrastructure projects in SA and NT along with expanding the client base and new project opportunities. Matthew has over 15 years of experience within the development and construction industry in SA and NSW, managing and undertaking detailed engineering design and construction delivery of civil infrastructure projects. His management, design, planning, project management and engineering experience in delivering his projects are of direct benefit to both the client and the wider community.