MEET YOUR COUNCIL

Introducing our newly elected and re-elected Council members

Eight members. A wealth of expertise.
One international textile community.



COUNCIL MEMBER

David Buxton

Shelton Vision | UK

Over 40 years in the textile industry, including 16 years working internationally. His career spans dyeing and finishing, testing, laboratory training, auditing and textile performance-testing equipment. As Sales Manager at Shelton Vision, he brings extensive technical and commercial insight into global quality and inspection challenges.



COUNCIL MEMBER

Dr Jo Conlon CText FTI

Reader in Fashion Business and Technology | The University of Manchester

Jo combines expertise in sustainable fashion systems, textile knowledge and education with experience as a Technical Manager across international supply chains. She has worked with manufacturers and brands on product development and production challenges, bringing industry and academic perspectives to professional development.



COUNCIL MEMBER

Shohn Donaghy CText FTI

International Interior Designer

With more than 30 years of experience in interior design, textiles and restoration, Shohn has worked internationally and established his own design practice in the United States. He brings a valuable connection between textiles, design and the wider creative industries.



COUNCIL MEMBER

Elizabeth Fox CompTI

Industry Consultant | UK

Elizabeth brings extensive industry experience and a long association with The Textile Institute, including previous service as Chair of Council. Her understanding of the Institute and its governance will provide continuity and informed insight as Council supports its future development.



COUNCIL MEMBER

Professor Kimti Gandhi CText FTI

Director, Kim’s Textile Services | Manchester, UK

Kimti combines senior academic, technical and industry experience. A Council member since 1981, he has served on numerous Institute committees. His contributions have been recognised with the Section Service Medal (1989) and The Institute Medal (2012).



COUNCIL MEMBER

Professor Subbiyan Rajendran CText FTI

Emeritus Professor | University of Greater Manchester

Raj has worked in biomedical materials and STEM education, including as Professor of Biomedical Materials. Active in Institute activities and governance since 2004, he has contributed extensively to Council and the Professional Qualifications Committee and received Institute recognition for his scientific contributions.



COUNCIL MEMBER

Lisa Taylor CText FTI

Senior Lecturer, Department of Materials |
The University of Manchester

Before entering academia, Lisa co-founded and grew a fashion label into a multimillion-pound wholesale, retail and manufacturing business serving markets across the UK, Europe and Asia. She combines hands-on industry leadership with expertise in textile education and research.



COUNCIL MEMBER

Anastasia Vouyouka CText FTI

Director, Fashion Express Learning | UK/Greece

Anastasia founded Sitam-AB and Telestia Institutions of Pattern Technology & Design Excellence, alongside Fashion Express Learning in London. Her international work in pattern technology, fashion design and online education brings a strong perspective on skills and professional learning.

LOOKING AHEAD

Our Council brings together industry, academia and professional practice to help guide the future of The Textile Institute.

Thank you to our newly elected and re-elected members for contributing their knowledge, experience and time.

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