

LOU PULLAN

I've been Manchester for 15 years and live with my young son in Castlefield. I'm a proud adopted Manc and I can't say enough great things about this fab city.

I first became involved in the Castlefield Forum after founding the Britannia Basin Community Forum (now merged with the Castlefield Forum) as a way to strengthen the community feel and improve the Hulme side (South) of Castlefield.

I'm incredibly passionate about our neighbourhood and its roots as the foundation of our city. I believe in working together for the people of the area and making the whole of Castlefield a great place to live and visit for all, including families.

In my day job I'm used to thinking creatively, problem-solving and working with people from all walks of life: all skills that I put in practice as Vice Chair.

Within the forum, I lead on the Roman Gardens regeneration and am excited to continue to work in the Spirit of Castlefield working group to continue to create a focus on this great part of our city.



GILES GROVER

I have lived in Castlefield since 2008 and I (still) can't see myself ever leaving! I first got involved with the Forum fifteen years ago, when I joined the campaign to protest against the plans to develop the Jackson's Wharf building into flats - I was pleased to have played a small part in the victory for local residents, which culminated in the building becoming The Wharf.

Not long after this, I became the Forum's Treasurer in 2012, and I've been in that role ever since. I feel (and hope) that I have helped contribute towards the Forum going from strength to strength over the years, and I was thrilled when we obtained charitable status in 2019.

I am a strong proponent of "people power" and I volunteer on my building's Residents' Management Company, which means flat leaseholders manage the building. I am also one of the leads of Manchester Cladiators, a voluntary group giving voice to the residents of buildings, with serious fire safety issues in Castlefield and across Greater Manchester. We actively campaign to make our homes safe at no cost to the leaseholders and residents of the buildings we represent both in Greater Manchester and as part of the national End Our Cladding Scandal campaign.

I would be happy to continue as a Trustee if I am re-elected and I would welcome your support.



LINE HILTON

Originally from Australia, I moved from the Surrey countryside to Manchester city centre during the 2020 pandemic, expecting it to be temporary. Manchester quickly felt like home, and the move became permanent.



To balance city life, I became involved with the Viaduct Action Group and volunteered with Clean & Green, which deepened my connection to Castlefield and sparked a strong interest in its history — from Roman times through the industrial age — and the resilience of its community.

In 2023, I was honoured to join Castlefield Forum as a Trustee. Alongside my trustee role, I have supported the redesign of the Forum's website and helped coordinate CSR volunteering events with Clean & Green.

I am motivated to help protect Castlefield's heritage while supporting its growth as a connected, thriving community, where history, nature, and people are valued alongside the city's future ambitions. If re-elected, I would like to continue building community and business engagement, strengthening CSR partnerships, and fostering pride of place.

DEBBIE HUBBARD

I have lived in Castlefield for over 20 years now. I have loved this area since the moment I arrived and I'm proud to call it home.



My personal pride in this area, however, goes much further back because my family business was involved in the initial regeneration of the area and construction of the Castlefield Bowl and Roman Gardens in the 1980s. It is fantastic to see what a beautiful and popular place it has become to live, work and visit.

I was inspired by the passion and work put in by the trustees and volunteer members of Castlefield Forum to ensure that the heritage of the area is preserved and that it is developed responsibly and sensitively. I decided it was time that I also gave something back to my community, and I joined in 2017 bringing skills gained working in marketing, communications and IT.

I had to retire as a Trustee in 2022 due to other commitments but I now have more time. As I'm still amazed at and inspired by the commitment, expertise and experience of all the people involved with the Forum, I felt it was again time to get involved.

I would be delighted to continue my role as Forum Secretary should I be elected as a Trustee.