

Bristol Energy Cooperative AGM 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020  
Nominations for Director – Candidate Statements

**Andrew Lee**

*Proposed by Andy O'Brien; Seconded by Vicky Wakefield-Jarrett*

I am a founder director of Bristol Energy Cooperative and am proud of our achievements to date, but even more excited by the new opportunities we are about to explore. I have technical skills from my architectural background (including facets of the planning and building regulation process) and from my time as a computer programmer.

Socially I am involved in music, both singing and playing a brass instrument in various choirs and bands. In addition to playing in Portishead Town Band, I am a committee member serving as both the treasurer and one of the trustees.

Within BEC I head the HR team, setting up procedures and processes for PAYE and pension contribution of all our paid staff, and helping to adopt policies and procedures to make sure that BEC operates smoothly and in line with legal responsibilities.

It would be an honour to be voted back onto the board of Bristol Energy Coop at such an interesting time to help steer it through the post-subsidy landscape.

**Peter Thompson**

*Proposed by Vicky Wakefield-Jarrett; Seconded by Chris Speller*

I have been a director of the Bristol Energy Coop for several years and have enjoyed the opportunity to make a significant contribution to its development and progress. While shifts in government policy will make the next few years more challenging for us, I look forward to working with my fellow directors and our staff and volunteers to surmount these difficulties to make the Coop an even greater success.

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### **Simon Pyne**

*Proposed by Chris Speller; Seconded by Andy O'Brien*

I've spent the last 11 years involved in environmental (esp. energy) projects both professionally and personally, as it's my belief that the climate crisis needs addressing directly. Having gained a degree in Environmental Science, 8 years ago, I've been able to work with industrial and commercial organisations to reduce their energy usage through my work, be that installing energy-efficient lighting, solar panels, electric vehicle charging and other measures.

Personally, I'm involved in the Bristol Green Doors project for 10 years, which gives members of the public the opportunity to see 'deep-retrofit' green homes in action, and ask practical questions about the measures they could pursue. Additionally, I helped Extinction Rebellion run the successful 'Clean Up Your Act' campaign last year, which gained £1m of pledges to divest savings and investments away from fossil fuels

As of today, I now run a consultancy that supports organisations in developing plans to achieve Net Zero, amongst them Avon Fire & Rescue and Bristol Credit Union. All-in-all, I am both committed to supporting energy projects and specifically those in Bristol.