

# RIBA SCOTLAND SOUTH BY-ELECTION CANDIDATE

## Election Leaflet

### Gordon Duffy



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Election Statement:

The Architect's lot is a very challenging one right now, perhaps more that at any time in recent history. Our profession is coming under increasing scrutiny as we deal with the many challenges we face most recently in terms of competency and accountability. We need to address these together as a profession so that we can properly meet the challenge of the Climate Emergency and the sustainable opportunities these turbulent times present maximising retrofit.

Many have become disenchanted with the Institute in recent years as it strayed from the path and became less relevant to ordinary members and offering very little to the recently qualified and women. The Institute must grow to attract the unaffiliated registered architects out there and it can only do so if the door is welcoming, open and engaging.

My particular interest lies with governance, transparency and open-ness achieved via democratic means. Any member should be able to access the workings of an Institution such that the RIBA is...pure and simple. I will contribute as much as I can to fulfil that.

The RIBA needs a blend of youth and experience. I believe that my 3 years experience '18-'21 during troubled times at the RIAS stands me in great stead and that I can bring that focus and depth of experience to the discussions at RIBA Council.

If elected I will do my level best to represent not just ordinary members in South Scotland but any that reach out to me across the membership to maintain and increase the pace of change at the Institute.

I think I have the experience -approaching 30 years in practice on my own account- and sound judgement to expand on members views at Council.