

TEACHING COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2020

VOTE FOR

Anne Howard

St. Patrick's Comprehensive, Shannon, Co. Clare

Community & Comprehensive Sector



My name is Anne Howard and I am teaching in St Patrick's Comprehensive in Shannon.

I have 30 years' teaching experience. I am a post holder within my school, I have been a branch officer in my local TUI branch for many years and I am currently on the Executive of the TUI. I am also currently on the NCCA Junior Board and have represented my union at national negotiations. All this experience has made me a strong, knowledgeable voice for our profession.

I have witnessed many changes. I believe that it is now time to slow down, take stock and evaluate the impact of change and to make adjustments as appropriate.

Undertaking CPD is not at present a requirement for maintaining registration. We must ensure that this remains the case. We are professionals and we should have the autonomy to decide what CPD we require and not have others decide for us.

We need to address the recruitment and retention issues in teaching. We could make entry to the profession easier by reducing the length of the PME programme or by paying students in the second year of their PME and incorporating all induction requirements of Droichead into that second year.

The Teaching Council has the power to investigate complaints about teachers. It is essential that when cases are being investigated a teacher is afforded due process and fair procedures. I will ensure that a teacher being investigated is given the support and advice s/he needs throughout this process.

I have the knowledge and the experience to protect our profession and the rights of the classroom teacher.

Vote for Anne Howard - I will be a strong voice for all teachers in the Community and Comprehensive School constituency.

How do I vote?

You can vote securely on any device – PC, laptop, tablet or smartphone.

Use your two PIN numbers provided by the Teaching Council - The pin numbers will be distributed by post and by email.

- ⇒ Go to www.teachingcouncil.ie
- ⇒ When you click on 'Vote Now', it will bring you to the voting site, where you will be prompted to enter your pin numbers
- ⇒ Enter the two PIN numbers
- ⇒ This will open a voting page specific to your sector
- ⇒ **Vote number 1 ANNE HOWARD**
- ⇒ ***Check your vote before pressing Submit***

When do I vote?

Voting opens on the **24th February 2020** and closes at noon on **11th March 2020**