



2025-2026 NATIONAL TRUST COUNCIL NOMINEES



Alice Mae Coe (Vice Chairperson)

Alice Mae's dedication to the National Trust began when she became a life member during the Trust's first meeting in West Bay, Grand Cayman. This meeting aimed to promote the creation of the NTCI under the National Trust for the Cayman Islands Law 1987 (Law 22 of 1987), now known as the National Trust Law (2010 Revision). The NTCI's mandated purposes resonated with Alice Mae, who grew up in a family that respected nature's beauty and bounty, particularly in the mangrove-protected haven of the North Sound. Her family's frequent outings on the catboat to fish or explore the grounds along the rocks reinforced the significance of environmental conservation in her life. Moreover, her 45+ years of employment with a prominent local law firm instilled in her a deep regard for the importance of following laws for the good of society and its people. Alice Mae's interests span a wide range of community-focused activities, but what unites them is her unwavering commitment to standing up for what is right, even in the face of adversity. For her, doing what is right is more important than personal gain or self-interest. Alice Mae has served on Trust council in various capacities, most recently as Vice Chair on Executive Council and as West Bay District Committee Chair for more than 30 years.



Brad Wammes (Treasurer)

Brad Wammes is a Chartered Professional Accountant with over 15 years of senior financial leadership across healthcare, advertising, and entertainment sectors. As Chief Financial Officer at OceanMed, he leads the financial strategy for one of the Cayman Islands' premier healthcare institutions, focusing on operational efficiency, long-term sustainability, and fiscal integrity. His career includes senior roles with global organisations such as Publicis and Spin Master, where he developed a strong track record in financial planning, risk management, process automation, and stakeholder engagement. Brad's leadership has consistently delivered improved financial performance, strengthened internal controls, and supported strategic growth. As National Trust Treasurer nominee, Brad hopes to bring not only deep financial expertise but also a personal passion for environmental conservation and cultural heritage. He is honoured to support the Trust's mission to preserve the islands' unique natural environments and historic sites. With a firm belief that sound financial stewardship underpins lasting impact, Brad is committed to supporting the Trust's goals so that future generations can continue to enjoy and benefit from the Cayman Islands' natural and cultural treasures.



Fred Burton (General Council)

Fred is a Lifetime member of the National Trust and has lived and worked in the Cayman Islands since 1979. In 1990, he founded The Blue Iguana Recovery Programme as a National Trust volunteer. He has authored a number of books including Threatened Plants of the Cayman Islands – the Red List as well as The Little Blue Book. Fred currently holds the post of Manager of the Terrestrial Unit at the Department of the Environment. He formerly worked as the Environmental Programmes Manager of the National Trust and was a key player in establishing the Cayman Islands' terrestrial protected area systems and worked on wildlife conservation habitats. In 2007 Fred was awarded an MBE for his services in conservation of endangered species. Most recently he has served on the National Trust Council, Environmental Advisory Committee and the Blue Iguana Conservation Steering Committee.



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Craig Caffarelli (General Council)

Craig and his family moved to Grand Cayman from Chicago five years ago. While living on island, Craig has been an active volunteer for the National Trust at Blue Iguana Conservation, considering its conservation work essential to maintaining the biodiversity of the Cayman Islands. He also supports several other local charities. Utilizing his business background and finance and accounting skills, he is a mentor to two small local businesses. In the US, he sits on the boards of a national literacy charity and an affordable housing charity in Chicago. In 1994, Craig helped create GEM Realty Capital, a Chicago-based real estate investment firm specializing in private and public market opportunities, as Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer. Craig currently serves on the 2024/25 Council as National Trust General Elected Member as well as an active member of the Fundraising Committee.



Mike Gibbs (General Council)

Mike is the retired President of Kensington Management Group, Ltd, where he worked from the company's inception in 1999 until the end of 2020. He has over 40 years of experience in the financial services industry and is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. He spent four years in Hong Kong and the rest of his career in Cayman. Mike has held various roles in accounting, audit, operations, systems, and management, including 12 years with Bank America and four years with Johnson & Higgins/Marsh Management Services. He is also a past Chairman of the Insurance Managers' Association of Cayman and a Past President and active member of the Cayman Islands Chamber of Commerce. Mike is a Lifetime Members of the Trust and served as General Elected Member of the National Trust Council for 2023/24 and is currently a member of the Trust Council Executive Committee for 2024/25.



Richard Harrison (General Council)

Richard is a seasoned finance professional (ACA) arriving in Cayman over twenty years ago and has been a long term member of the National Trust. He understands the crucial importance of the National Trust to the Cayman Islands, and is keen to support the organization. He has enjoyed a very broad range of sector experience including renewable energy, financial services and most recently healthcare. He is a Cayman Islands Monetary Authority approved Director, a founding Director of the Cayman Islands Renewable Association and is on the Cayman Islands Institute of Professional Accountants ESG committees. He has also consulted on TCFD (Task Force for Climate Related Financial Disclosures) and community involvement has included being a voted council member on the Chamber of Commerce. Outside of work he loves nothing more than outdoor, adventurous trips with his family as well other endorphin rousing activities such as tennis, ocean swimming and SUP. Richard currently serves as General Elected Member of the National Trust Council for 2024/25.



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Brigitte Kirkconnell-Shaughness (General Council)

Upon completion of her BA in Business Administration at Loyla University in New Orleans, Brigitte worked for a family-owned and operated Home Centre/ Building Materials store in Pennsylvania. Since 1992, Brigitte has worked primarily as the Managing Director of Kirk Home Centre and is a member of the boards of directors for various other companies. Over the years she has had the privilege of serving on various private sector and statutory authority boards such as the Civil Aviation Authority, the CI Chamber of Commerce, the Business Staffing Plan Board, the National Security Council and the Judicial & Legal Services Commission. She is a former member of the Meals on Wheels board of directors and in the 1990's she was a council member of the National Trust. Brigitte believes that our islands natural beauty and heritage must be protected while balanced with sensible development in order to improve the quality of life for Caymanians and residents. Her father, the late Capt. Charles Kirkconnell was one of the members of the Legislative Assembly who voted in favour of the National Trust for the Cayman Islands Bill in 1997 in order to protect Caymanian heritage. Brigitte currently serves as General Elected Member of the National Trust Council for 2024/25.



Courtney Platt (General Council)

Courtney is a Caymanian commercial photographer, diver, and environmental advocate whose life has been shaped by the sea. After studying marine biology for three years, he graduated from Cal Poly, SLO in 1983 with a BSc in Physical Education due to limited job prospects in his original field. His passion for marine life began at age 8 and led to over 5,000 scuba dives in Cayman, including deep submersible missions to 1,000 feet and mixed gas dives to 350 feet. Since 1976, he's been capturing underwater beauty, shooting eight assignments for National Geographic and building a prestigious local clientele. Witnessing the decline of reef ecosystems, Courtney launched the Reef Fish Restoration Initiative, urging residents to avoid eating reef fish and to use the marine parks app to support conservation. His 2015 TEDx talk at UCCI proposed a Caymanian-only fishing permit, now under government review. Beyond the ocean, he's documented Hurricane Ivan's destruction in *Paradise Interrupted*, helped develop Crystal Caves ecologically, and contributed wildlife photography to the National Trust. Courtney's work blends science, art, and activism— and as a National Trust Lifetime Member he is eager to help preserve Cayman's natural heritage for future generations.



Diana Quin (General Council)

Diana is a Lifetime Member of the National Trust who arrived in Cayman in 1985 with her late husband Charles Quin (who previously served on the NT Council as Legal Advisor). She initially worked as a physiotherapist before becoming a full time mother to three sons. In 2004, she opened her own business selling handmade Oriental Rugs , in which she spent 17 years before retiring. She has previously volunteered with the PIN programme through St Georges Church and is a member of the Garden Club of Grand Cayman. She is very keen to work to help save the natural environment of Cayman, with an especial interest in local birds. When not chasing after grandchildren she loves to garden , grow vines, nurture Whistling Ducks on her natural pond and 'dabble' in watercolours. Diana currently serves as on the Trust's Public Relations Committee and as General Council Member for 2024/25.



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Lisa Scott (General Council)

Lisa was born and raised in George Town, Grand Cayman. She has a deep-rooted passion for preserving the culture and heritage of the Cayman Islands. After a successful career in banking, culminating as Vice President, she retired to raise her family as she continued to serve her community. Lisa has been a tireless advocate for cultural preservation, contributing to projects such as buying and personally restoring a historic home in Cayman Brac, producing documentaries and curating a museum exhibit. Her efforts include revitalizing the George Town Clock Tower and organizing the scoring and recording of the national song Beloved Isles Cayman and compiling the poetry and music of her Great-Grandmother and National Hero, Leila Ross-Shier. She continues to support community engagements, local arts, and historical education through events, publications and public talks. Lisa's hope is to bring a heartfelt commitment to honor Cayman's legacy and foster community pride to the Trust as a council member for 2025/26.



Candy Whicker (General Council)

Candy was raised in London and worked as an investment banker there until moving to Cayman in 1989. She worked for Barclays Private Bank in Cayman for 10 years and served as a director of various Cayman based investment funds. Since leaving Barclays she has embarked on a second career in the world of documentary film. Her most recent project is a feature length documentary about the Cayman charity Beacon Farms, which premiered in Cayman in February 2023. Over the years she has volunteered for a number of organizations and charities including Riding for the disabled, Cayman Prep and High School, the Cayman Islands Sailing Club, the Pink Ladies and CPR. Candy is a keen gardener and champion of the natural world. She loves reading, sailing, traveling and planting trees wherever she can. Candy's service to the National Trust includes two years as General Elected Council Member and as well as the Chair of the National Trust's Public Relations Committee.