

National Library of Wales
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Dear Deputy Minister

Following a recent interview, I have great pleasure in informing you that [redacted S.40] has been appointed as the National Library of Wales' next Treasurer, and he will take up the role on 1 April 2023; he will spend the intervening period shadowing the current Treasurer.

Although the advertisement was widely circulated on social media and job and professional forums, only one application was received for the role. However, the panel agreed to proceed to interview as the application received was a particularly strong one. The panel members were [redacted S.40], Chair, [redacted S.40], Vice President of the Library, [redacted S.40], independent member and [redacted S.40] on behalf of Welsh Government.


The decision to appoint was a majority one, though it should be noted that the Welsh Government representative on the panel was not fully supportive of the final decision. Careful consideration was given to those objections, in particular around diversity implications. Since there was no certainty that re-advertising would attract a wider pool of candidates for such an honorary and specialist role on the board, we agreed to proceed with the appointment.

It should be noted that the Treasurer's appointment is a Library one, and differs from the role of the President and Vice President who are appointed by Welsh Government.

I very much look forward to welcoming [redacted S.40] as a board member and Treasurer of the Library and am completely confident that he will make a valuable contribution to the Library's work.

Yours sincerely



Ashok Ahir
President, National Library of Wales
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