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## Associate Member Candidate

### Lewis North

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- d. **Qualifications:** HEA, BA Hons Arch, MArch



### Election Statement:

We have a pool talented students nurtured through university, we also have inspiring architecture practices but there is no marriage between architecture schools & practices. Typically they are taught in isolation. Whilst we saw the introduction to Level 7 Apprenticeships, this is encouraging step, it is still a lot of pressure undertaken by a practice to undertake a part 1 to then potentially leave is a huge resource & loss to that practice. Our schools should be collaborating with the practices to nurture our students experience developing an early integration into the professional practice.

PEDR; a development record which only used during the transition of education through to professional, and this is only used for examination purposes, these documents are vital throughout all of our careers, therefore we need to promote them and integrate them throughout our whole career.

RIBA is made up of 9 regional offices across England, & 1 regional office in Scotland, Wales & Northern Ireland. We as members all pay an equal amount for our membership status. I feel it needs to better reflect & serve the breadth & depth of our culture & its true representative of its members. Our resources do not need to be encompassed by our capital city. We have regional offices across the UK, therefore the introduction of splitting our national office would allow an even distribution of our resources & funding throughout the institution.

We need to stand strong hand in hand knowing our membership supports & encourages our profession but also our STEM subjects. Allowing our communities to know who we are, and how RIBA promote more than architecture. We need to offer a creative environment, with growth opportunities; promoting a happy work-life balance. A sustainable, inclusive & ethical standard within the built environment, architecture & education.