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Re: Honorary Secretary Position

Dear BSG committee,

I have been a member of the BSG since 2012 when I started my PhD. Throughout my membership the society has helped me create a network which has substantially helped shape my career to date from constructive feedback on my research to allowing me to extend my network and having a number of contacts to speak to when navigating through my career. The PGR grants have supported my PhD research and conference attendance, allowing me to attend EGU for the first time. More recently an outreach grant is helping me develop my network with landowners and agricultural managers.

I have presented both posters and talks throughout the years, as well as contributing to panel discussions (ECR funding at Uni of Lincoln) and chairing sessions (Uni of Leeds) at BSG AGMs, which have allowed me to get valuable feedback on my work. The community have always been supportive of my work, including when I have presented on KE related work and stakeholder engagement. I very much appreciate the opportunities that have been given to me such as the recent COALESCE workshop which has helped me understand the range of skills needed for leadership and has given me direction on what to work on next. Attendance has also allowed me to co-write grant applications such as the NEIF funded sediment budget crayfish project which I am presenting this year with Dr Catherine Sanders and Dr Savannah Worne - without attending the conference regularly, I would not have this opportunity.

I would like to give back to the community who have supported me through my career to date and have been very welcoming for so many years. I have applied for the role of Honorary Secretary. My experience as project manager within my iCASP role at the University of Leeds where I managed finance within each project and delivery (I have also completed a PRINCE2 project management qualification). Coupled with my organising skills developed by building a network around sediment matters via my NERC KEF where I held, chaired and organised multiple meetings, workshops and a conference, have allowed me to have the skills such as minuting meetings and organisation needed for this role. Finally, I look to working on the EDI committee, I have recently worked on the committee for EHU for our Athena Swan Bronze Award for the department and ensure EDI is addressed in all grant submissions and when I have organised conferences. I have experience of representing organisations within different settings such as within academia, practitioner partnerships, industry conferences and outreach events. I look forward to championing geomorphology for many more years to come and would like to thank the society for their help so far!

Please find attached:

- CV

Best wishes,



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