Become a member of BVZS Council

What does being on Council involve?

Council meetings are held four times a year alongside the AGM. These are usually twice a year in person, with two additional meetings held remotely via Zoom.

In addition to meetings, we also need regular Council input into matters affecting our profession and field through both BVZS and BVA business and policy making. We expect all Council members to reply to requests for comments, but these can vary from being extensive, to very little depending on your area of work and interest. The Officer Team and Working Groups develop our policy and these groups will usually include specialist members and experts in the relevant areas, however it is the Council that has the final say on everything.

As a council member you would help represent the whole of the BVZS membership, a role which can be rewarding and give an interesting insight to the world of veterinary politics.

Council Roles

Everyone on Council has a role or roles which can include helping with conference organisation, membership administration, developing position statements, communications and representing BVZS to the next generation of vets and nurses and the general public, amongst others. We recognise that everyone has different talents, interests and work schedules and we’d look to find you a role that best suits you.

Council Terms

An initial term on Council is 2yrs, with the option to then be re-elected for 2 subsequent years.

Who can apply and what experience is required?

Veterinary surgeons and veterinary nurses who are BVZS members. No experience is required! If you are unsure whether being on council is for you, feel free to get in touch with any of our council members or email admin@bvzs.co.uk

How to apply

If you would like to apply to be a member of BVZS Council then please send a short statement (up to 300 words) outlining why you would like to join us on Council and what you could bring to the team, and send this to admin@bvzs.org by 21st October 2023.

New members to Council will be voted by the membership at the AGM on Saturday 4th November 2023.