

Application for the position of Vice-Chair for NCWG

Name: **Nick RODWELL**, Hydrographic Data Team Production Manager, UKHO

Experience at Hydrographic Offices

2002: I joined the UK Hydrographic Office as a trainee cartographer, I spent the next 5 years learning to assess hydrographic data, drafting NMs and compiling paper charts.

2007: I moved into the ENC production area to learn to verify and validate S57 data.

2009: I worked as a Staff Officer and Resource Manager for several of the UKHO divisional directors.

2010: I went to New Zealand for 6 months to work for Land Information New Zealand, working on their paper charts and ENCs.

2011: I started in the role as Production Team Manager responsible for adopting charts produced by many different Hydrographic Offices, creating thematic charts and production of the UKHO leisure folios.

2014: Production Team Manager, leading 40 cartographers and former navigators with the responsibility of maintaining 18 volumes of Sailing Directions, assessing hydrographic data, maintaining and producing the UKHOs paper charts which cover the Americas and the Caribbean.

2016: I took up the role as the Chart Production Team Manager, responsible for managing the production of the UKHOs paper charts

2018: I moved into the Hydrographic Data Team manager role, I manage a team who are responsible for maintaining the hydrographic database for the UK and over 70 additional countries of primary responsibility.

Experience at NCWG:

I joined NCWG as the UK rep at the 3rd meeting in 2017 at the Redlands meeting at ESRI HQ in California

I have subsequently attended the meetings at The Hague (NCWG 4) and in Sweden (NCWG 5)

I am an active NCWG member and have presented many times during the meetings

I enjoy international collaboration and relationship building with my NCWG colleagues

I have voluntarily contributed to several NCWG sub-working group including the Future of the Paper Chart

I have 18 years of experience producing and managing teams to produce hydrographic information and products

I am enthusiastic about the work and responsibilities which are managed by the NCWG

I am well placed to support the NCWG considering my experience with SNCs, ENC and hydrographic databases

Particularly as the focus of the NCWG develops to include S100 / S101, considering the future of the paper chart and automated cartography from ENCs,