

Hustings Video

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1 VOICE 1:

Equity is about to elect its new General Secretary, and as a member of the union, you'll be asked to cast your vote soon.

The General Secretary is head of the union's staff, and one of the most prominent spokespeople that the union has. Their job is varied but covers things like negotiating with employers, lobbying the government, and advancing the interests of the union members.

2 VOICE 2:

This election is the first election for General Secretary in fifteen years. Unlike other organisations where you don't get a say in who runs it; as part of Equity you have a say in who runs **your** union. So, we'd encourage you to vote.

3 VOICE 3:

Don't worry if you don't know who the candidates are. We're hosting a live event, known as a hustings, where you'll get to hear from the candidates for the job.

It's your chance to get to know them and their visions for Equity. Hosted by the Equity (member-led) Network Group, and chaired by guest and Equity Member Sandi Toksvig the event will be on Wednesday, 20th of May 2020 starting at 4pm, and will be broadcast on Crowdcast.

4 VOICE 4:

An important part of this event will be questions from members. You can send your questions for the candidates to [**Hustings Questions at PCM Projects.co.uk**] Please make sure you've got your questions in by midnight on **Wednesday, 13th May 2020**.

5 VOICE 5:

This video was created by a group of Equity Members. We'd like to encourage you to sign up to attend the hustings we're organising at: [**bit dot L Y forward slash GenSec 20 20 hustings**] the address is on screen now.

6 VOICE 6:

Remember, Equity is a member-led organisation. That's why it's so important that you cast **your** vote for General Secretary. Voting will be by post and ballot papers will be sent out to all members shortly. You'll be asked to select your preferred candidate and post your ballot back to arrive before **Wednesday the 8th of July 2020**. Thank You.