

Christina Moss: Candidate Statement – AASW Victorian Branch Management Committee 20th September 2026

I am seeking re-election to the AASW Victorian Branch Management Committee (BMC), having had the privilege of contributing to the Branch over the past two years. During this time, I have committed as much of my professional and voluntary time as possible to supporting the development of the Victorian Branch and BMC.

I have valued being part of the BMC since its inauguration and contributing to the development of a strong, collaborative team of professional members committed to strengthening the voice of social workers across Victoria.

A highlight of my involvement was assisting with the **May 2026 Victorian Branch Conference, *Many Voices, One Profession*, hosted by the BMC at Monash University**. It was a privilege to contribute to an event that brought social workers together to celebrate our profession, share knowledge and consider our future direction. The participation of **Elizabeth Little, National President, and Kerryn Pennell, CEO**, further strengthened this important professional event.

I believe the BMC has an integral role in ensuring that **social workers have a strong, collective and influential voice**. Social workers make an enormous contribution across many sectors, yet the breadth and importance of our work is not always fully recognised.

At the heart of social work is our commitment to **social justice and human rights**. We advocate for individuals and communities experiencing disadvantage, inequality and discrimination, while also challenging the systemic issues that contribute to social injustice. Our profession has a responsibility to speak up and advocate for meaningful social change.

Looking towards the next two years, I believe we have an important opportunity to build our collective voice, strengthen professional recognition and ensure that **social workers are heard**. I would like to continue supporting a BMC that is visible, inclusive, collaborative and responsive to its members.

The AASW values of **Respect, Collaboration, Integrity, Accountability and Responsiveness** reflect how I seek to contribute.

I remain committed to supporting our members, promoting the value of social work, advocating for social justice and strengthening the voice of our profession across Victoria.

Many voices. One profession. A stronger collective voice.