



Association of Independent Museums

## **Minutes of Annual General Meeting**

18 June 2025

### **1 To Note Any Apologies for Absence, and Notification of Any Proxy**

Attendance at the in-person AGM was recorded. The Chair noted no apologies or proxies had been received. Papers had been circulated online.

### **2 To Approve the Minutes of the AGM held on 13 June 2024**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the AGM held on 15 June 2023 be approved as a correct record.

### **3 To Address Any Matters Arising**

None.

### **4 To Receive the Annual Report & Accounts for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

The Chair highlighted AIM's successes over the last year. These included:

- Maintained membership at around 1,100 independent museums, heritage organisations, and associated individuals and sectors.
- Delivery of over three-quarters of a million pounds via the National Lottery Heritage Fund-supported New Stories, New Audiences programme, Connected Communities supported by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport Know Your Neighbourhood Fund via Arts Council England, final year of Brighter Futures supported by the Arts Scholars Charitable Fund, and collections support from the Pilgrim Trust.
- Supported leadership and governance in England funded by Arts Council England and in Wales funded by the Welsh Government.
- Secured new funding from the Julia Rausing Trust.
- Brought members together at the 2024 annual conference, Hallmarks at Home sessions, and Trustee 101.
- Worked with other sector bodies on advocating for museums around the 2024 UK elections, published a major refresh of the economic impact toolkit

The audit of the Annual Report and Accounts is complete and they are presented without qualification. The Chair asked the membership to endorse the Annual Report and Accounts for year ending 31st December 2024.

RESOLVED: That the members receive the Annual Report & Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024.

## **5 Election of Trustees / Directors / Members of the AIM Council (Board)**

The Chair set out the proposed election of two new Deputy Chairs appointed by the Board in accordance with Article 46.2. All such appointments are subject to the approval of Members at the following AGM.

RESOLVED: That the following Board members be elected to serve as Deputy Chairs

Nathaniel Hepburn  
Alexander Ratcliffe

The Chair set out the proposed election of one new Board member appointed by the Board in accordance with Article 55. All such appointments are subject to the approval of Members at the following AGM.

RESOLVED: That the following Board members be elected to serve their initial three-year term:

Angela Spreadbury

The Chair set out the proposed re-election of three Board members appointed by the Board in accordance with Article 56. All such re-appointments are subject to the approval of Members at the following AGM.

RESOLVED: That the following Board members be elected to serve a second three-year term:

Charlotte Morgan  
Elizabeth Power  
Camilla Stewart

## **6 To Approve the Appointment of External Auditors**

RESOLVED: That Crowe UK (Oldbury, West Midlands) be appointed as external auditors until the next Annual General Meeting, and that the Board be delegated to fix the remuneration of the auditors.

## **7 Any Other Business**

None.

**8 Date & Time of Next Annual General Meeting**

It was expected that the next AGM will take place during the AIM National Conference on 10 June 2026.