

Notice is hereby given that the 2023 Annual General Meeting of the Museums Association will be held digitally and voting on the resolutions will commence on the 24 October, with the results announced on 7 November at 1430 at the Glasshouse (formerly Sage Gateshead) and via our chosen conferencing platform:

A. Apologies for absence

B. Minutes

To consider and adopt the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 3 November 2022 at 1400 at the Edinburgh International Convention Centre and via our website and conference platform.

C. Annual Report and Accounts of the Museums Association

To receive the Annual Report and Accounts of the Board for the year 2022/23.

D. Report on financial position

To receive a report from the board on the estimated financial position and forecast in respect of current and future financial years.

E. Individual membership subscriptions

To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following Ordinary Resolution (see note 1 to agenda). That with effect from 1 April 2024 individual membership subscription rates will be increased as follows:

	2023/24	2024/25
Essential member	£49	£51
Student, Retired, Unwaged, Volunteer, Trustee	£62	£65
Full member, Associate, Fellow	£94	£98

F. Institutional membership subscriptions

To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following Ordinary Resolution (See note 1 to agenda). That with effect from 1 April 2024 institutional membership bands and subscription rates will be increased as follows:

2023/24

Operating budget	Fee
Less than £102,500	£82
£102,501 – £307,500	£205
£307,501 – £1,025,000	£666
£1,025,001 – £2,050,000	£1,025
£2,050,001 – £10,250,000	£1,845
Over £10,250,000	£2,358
Federations, friends’ organisations and specialist groups	£62
Non-UK member	£205

2024/25

Operating budget	Fee
Less than £107,000	£86
£107,001 – £321,500	£214
£321,501 – £1,071,000	£696
£1,071,001 – £2,142,500	£1,071
£2,142,501 – £10,711,500	£1,928
Over £10,711,500	£2,464
Federations, friends’ organisations and specialist groups	£65
Non-UK member	£214

G. Auditors

To appoint auditors to the association until the conclusion of the next general meeting of the association at which accounts are laid before members and to authorise the board to fix the remuneration of the auditors.

Notes to the agenda

1. Items E and F

For the past three years we have frozen the individual and institutional membership rates to support our members with the impacts of the pandemic. With inflation having been at very high levels for some time and the costs of delivering our work increasing, we propose a below-inflation increase in bands and fees.

We continue to recognise the financial concerns of all our members and the likelihood that many individuals and organisations will not be receiving pay or budget increases near current inflation levels.

We therefore propose a 4.5% increase. For our institutional members, this proposal sees bands as well as fees increasing, meaning that some organisations may pay significantly less.

Increases in individual membership fees are £2 per annum for Essential members, £3 per annum for Concessionary members and £4 per annum for Full members. Institutional members will pay between £3 and £106 more per annum, with the majority increasing by £9 or less.