

Notice is hereby given that the FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of The British Association of Social Workers will be held at Glamorgan County Cricket Club, The SSE SWALEC, Cardiff CF11 9XR commencing at 2.15pm.

Unless you will be present at the beginning of the AGM, instruments appointing proxies must, by Article 27, be lodged at BASW, Wellesley House, 37 Waterloo Street, Birmingham B2 5PP by 1.30pm on 8th June 2018.

GENERAL NOTES

1 Notice of Meeting

Notice of the Annual General Meeting was given in PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK in December 2017.

2 Annual Report

The BASW Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the period 1st October 2016 to 30th September 2017 will be available on the BASW website during May: www.basw.co.uk/agm or by email: governance@basw.co.uk

3 Participation in Annual General Meeting

Members may attend, speak and vote or appoint proxies to vote for them.

PLEASE BRING YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU

4 Proxies

All members unable to attend the AGM are encouraged to use the proxy voting provision.

Holders of proxy votes should collect proxy vote cards from the Annual General Meeting registration desk.

5 Structure of the Annual General Meeting

The first session of the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 13th June will include the Chief Executive's Report, and approve the minutes of the 2017 AGM.

The next session will consider the Annual Report and Accounts. The debate on the accounts will be introduced by the Chair of the Finance & Human Resources Committee.

AGM Resolutions will commence following the above session.

6 Amendments to Resolutions

Notices of proposals to amend any ordinary motion by adding to or leaving out or submitting other words in the terms of a motion must be signed by a proposer and seconder and no fewer than eighteen other members of the Association, or by an Officer of a Branch on the authority of a resolution passed at a duly convened meeting of the membership of the Branch. Proposed amendments must reach BASW, Wellesley House, 37 Waterloo Street, Birmingham B2 5PP by 6th June 2018.

Voting will normally be by a show of hands, with membership cards being shown. At any vote, however, the Chair may call a ballot, or any **five** persons present in person or by proxy can demand a ballot. After the result of a show of hands has been announced any member who desires a ballot should stand up and shout 'Ballot'.

If that member is supported by at least **four** other members (in person or by proxy) a ballot will be held. No one will be allowed to enter or leave the hall while a ballot is in progress.

7 Emergency Motions

Emergency motions will be admitted only at the discretion of the Chair and must relate to issues which could not reasonably have been foreseen. An emergency resolution is not binding upon the Association. Voting will be by a show of hands. There is no provision for a ballot.

This is the official notice of the 2018 Annual General Meeting required under the Articles of Association of The British Association of Social Workers. Any amendments to ordinary motions will be made available at the meeting.

Members are encouraged to attend the AGM.

There is no charge for admission and members are asked to bring this notice with them.

ORDINARY MOTIONS

All Ordinary Motions need a simple majority to be passed

◆◆◆ Ordinary Motion 1

This Annual General Meeting believes the two major political parties in Northern Ireland must demonstrate leadership and accept the need for compromise to establish a Northern Ireland Executive and end the ministerial hiatus in planning and decision making that is negatively impacting health and social care services, organisations and staff.

We call on BASW to mandate staff and members to campaign in Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and at Westminster to bring the appropriate pressure to bear.

**On the authority of the
Northern Ireland National Standing Committee**

◆◆◆ Ordinary Motion 2

This Annual General Meeting repudiates the policy principles underpinning the Universal Credit two-child cap and associated exemption for children conceived as a result of non-consensual sexual acts – commonly known as the “rape clause”. This abhorrent policy discriminates against children, families, foster parents and women and will lead to an estimated 200,000 further children being forced into poverty across the UK.

We call on BASW to campaign at Westminster, the Scottish Parliament, the Welsh Assembly and the Northern Ireland Assembly for the removal of this flawed policy on a UK-wide basis.

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2018 Annual General Meeting

AGENDA

- 1 To read the notice convening the meeting**
- 2 To receive apologies for absence**
- 3 To welcome new Chair**
- 4 To welcome representatives of kindred organisations and other guests**
- 5 Minutes**
To confirm and sign the Minutes of the forty-seventh Annual General Meeting held in Liverpool on 26th April 2017.
- 6 Chief Executive's Report**
- 7 To announce results of election to BASW Council**
- 8 Annual Report and Accounts**
 - 8.1** To receive the report of the Auditors and the Statement of Accounts for The British Association of Social Workers (which will appear in the Annual Report available on the BASW website during May at www.basw.co.uk/agm) and to adopt the Balance Sheet and the Accounts for the period 1st October 2016 to 30th September 2017.
 - 8.2** To receive the Statement of Accounts for the Social Workers' Benevolent Trust for the period 1st October 2016 to 30th September 2017.
 - 8.3** To receive the Statement of Accounts for the Social Workers' Educational Trust for the period 1st October 2016 to 30th September 2017.
 - 8.4** To receive and adopt the Annual Report for the period 1st October 2016 to 30th September 2017.
- 9 Auditors**
To appoint Auditors for the year 1st October 2018 to 30th September 2019.
- 10 To report back on 2017 Motions.**
- 11 To provide an update on the BASW 20/20 50th anniversary heritage and legacy project 'Curating our Past, Creating our Future'.**
- 12 Resolutions**
To consider the Ordinary Resolutions which are set out on the previous page of this agenda and any amendments to Ordinary Motions distributed at the Meeting.
- 13 Any Other Business (including emergency motions)**
(see Note 7).
- 14 Outgoing Chair speech**
Incoming Chair speech

*By Order of the Council
Dr Ruth Allen, Chief Executive
Dated 14th March 2018*

PROXY FORM

I, the undersigned being a member of The British Association of Social Workers hereby appoint David N Jones (a person nominated by Council) of Wellesley House, 37 Waterloo Street, Birmingham B2 5PP or (see Note 3) membership number another member of the Association as my proxy to vote for me and on my behalf, as indicated below at the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held on 13th June 2018 and at any adjournment thereof.

Proxy forms must be returned to FREEPOST BASW no later than 1.30pm on 8th June 2018.

The Motions are numbered in the notice of the meeting.

Signature Membership No Date.....

Proposed Motions for Annual General Meeting 2018

Ordinary Motions (Ordinary Motions need a simple majority to be passed)

Resolution	1	2
For		
Against		

NOTES

- 1 There is no provision under the Companies Act for postal voting. A member who is unable to be present may record his or her vote by proxy.
 - 2 Only Full Voting Members have votes. Affiliates do not have votes.
 - 3 If you desire to appoint a proxy other than the above named, please delete their names and insert the name and address of the other member, if you do this it is wise to ascertain in advance that he or she is willing and able to undertake the responsibility.
 - 4 If you do not indicate how your votes are to be cast, the proxy holder may vote at his/her discretion. Nevertheless, if one of the Council nominees is appointed, no vote will be cast unless an indication has been given.
 - 5 The instrument appointing a proxy is deemed to confer authority to demand or join in demanding a ballot.
 - 6 If you propose to attend part of the meeting and wish your vote to be exercised only during your absence, since a proxy can be exercised if the membership card of the member who appoints the proxy holder is lodged with the Association, the following procedure should be followed:
 - i) if you WILL NOT be present at the beginning of the meeting, send your membership card with this form;
 - ii) *if you wish to exchange your vote with your proxy holder (either way) go to the BASW registration desk and there exchange your membership card with the proxy voting cards. It is your responsibility to find your proxy holder to enable the exchange to be made.
 - 7 Those appointed as proxies can collect their voting cards from the registration desk. Make sure you tell your proxy holder of their appointment so that he/she knows to collect the voting cards.
- * It is your responsibility to ensure that your proxy is collected by your nominee.

PROXY FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO FREEPOST BASW

You do not need to add anything else to the address

