

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE EDGWARE & HENDON REFORM SYNAGOGUE COMMUNITY

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REGISTERED CHARITY NO 1172458
A constituent of Reform Judaism

DATE: SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER 2024
TIME: 13:00
VENUE: SYNAGOGUE MAIN HALL

AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the AGM held on 1 October 2023:
as approved by Council on 12 December 2023
2. Trustees Report: Report from the Trustees on Activities held during 2023
3. Election of Council for 2024:
 - The Honorary Officers:
 - (i) Chairman
 - (ii) Joint Vice-Chairmen
 - (iii) Joint Honorary Treasurers
 - (v) Honorary Secretary
 - (vi) 2 Additional Honorary Officer without Portfolio
 - Additional members of Council
4. Approval of the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023
5. Reappointment of the Auditors
6. Subscription Proposal for 2025 Resolution; to consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following Resolution:

That as from 1 January 2025 the annual adult membership subscription fee for 2025 shall be increased by 5% to £539 (2024 - £513) per annum gross. Should the Consumer Prices Index for the year to 31 October 2024 be less than 5%, the Honorary Treasurers be empowered to limit the increase to the level of such increase.

The Special Projects Fund rate will be the same as for 2024 being £15 per annum gross for adult members.

That the Honorary Treasurers be empowered to establish gross payment amounts for Higher Rate taxpayers so that the net cost to them to be identical to that of standard rate taxpayers.

That the Honorary Treasurers be additionally empowered to set reduced scale rates for young adults (18-35 years).
7. Any other business

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL:

MICHAEL WEBER, HONORARY SECRETARY

ELECTION NOTES

- (a) The annual subscription set out above will be the maximum amount per adult member (£1078 per couple (2024 - £1026))
- (b) The Special Projects Fund levy shall be £15 per adult member (which remains as last year).
- (c) Members will be invited to voluntarily pay £36 per annum into an EHRS lottery with a monthly winner
- (d) The Board of Deputies voluntary contribution will be £17.50 per adult member (2024 - £15) as set by the Board of Deputies.

HONORARY OFFICERS



CHAIRMAN: JEREMY HARROD

Jeremy has been a member of Council since 2001 and an Honorary Officer since 2012. Former chair of the Services Committee, he also serves as a lay reader. Jeremy served on the steering group for the merger and the Rabbinic Succession Group.

He is the current Chair of EHRS.

Proposed by Mrs M Allen; seconded by Rabbi M Goldsmith

JOINT VICE CHAIR: JO SIGALOV

Born into the EDRS community, Jo (née Wax) joined Council in 2011 and became Honorary Secretary in 2014 responsible for staffing, Beyond EHRS and Corporate Secretarial. Jo taught at both EDRS and HRS. She serves on the Constitution Group, and the Culture and Heritage Group. She is the current Joint Vice Chair of EHRS.

Proposed by Mr G Wittenberg; seconded by Mrs J Brand



JOINT VICE CHAIR: ANDREW WOOLSTONE

A childhood member of EDRS Andrew has served on Council since 2015, and is a current Honorary Officer. He is the current Joint Vice Chair of EHRS, and is also responsible for Membership and Technology.

Proposed by Mr K Darvill; seconded by Mr G Wittenberg



JOINT HONORARY TREASURER: KEVIN MADDISON

Treasurer of HRS, and Joint Honorary Treasurer at EHRS, Kevin is a retired chartered and certified accountant with a vast experience in charity accounting.

Proposed by Mrs J Brand; seconded by Ms J Sigalov



JOINT HONORARY TREASURER: MICHAEL LERMAN

Michael spent more than 10 years on Council and other EHRS committees. He was previously elected as assistant Honorary Treasurer, and then as Joint Honorary Treasurer.

Proposed by Mr J Harrod ; seconded by Mr B Konyn

HONORARY SECRETARY: MICHAEL WEBER

Michael joined Council in 2011, responsible for Within EHRS. He joined the Warden Team becoming Senior Warden in 2011 & 2013. Michael was HHD Co-ordinator for 4 years and is now Chair of Services. He became an Honorary Officer in 2019, and is Honorary Secretary.

Proposed by Mr R Brand; seconded by Mr D Mitchell



HONORARY OFFICER: ROBERT BRAND

Robert has served on Council for several years. He was the head of the Services Committee, was the High Holy Day Coordinator for many years, and was previously a Senior Warden and on the Governance Committee.

Proposed by Mr B Trainis; seconded by Mr D Mitchell

HONORARY OFFICER: DANIEL MITCHELL

A long-standing member of EHRS, Daniel is past Chair of the Security Committee and continues to serve on the team. Daniel is also the Chair of the House Committee. He has been an EHRS Council member since 2018.

Proposed by Mr J Harrod; seconded by Mr A Weber



ADDITIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS



KEVIN DARVILL

Kevin has been a member of EHRS since 2020, and a Council member since 2022. He leads occasional services for the community and is one of the representatives on the Board of Deputies. He is the Chair of Meketa, the charity helping Jews still in Ethiopia.
Proposed by Mr D Mitchell; seconded by Mrs M Allen

NATASHA DAVIDOV

Natasha has been a member of EHRS since 2021. She served as a board member of 'Lifeline' UK, addressing important health and social issues, and also developed the Aska Maternity Bracelet with the NHS, raising awareness about maternal health.
Proposed by Ms J Sigalov; seconded by Mr K Price



NEIL FLASH

Neil was previously a Council member at EDRS/EHRS, and served on the Communications Advisory and Technology Review groups. He is currently a Managing Director of a communications consultancy.
Proposed by Mr B Konyň; seconded by Mr J Harrod

SHARON GARSON

Sharon has been a member for over 30 years during which time has served on the Warden Team including Senior Warden. She has a strong interest in our Services and also served as HHD Co-ordinator.
Proposed by Mr J Harrod; seconded by Mr M Lerman



ALEX HIRSH

Alex has been a member of EDRS and EHRS since he was a child where he attended cheder and the youth programmes. He is a member of the Shirah band for the Shabbat Morning Shirah Service. Alex has served on Council since 2022.
Proposed by Mr K Darvill; seconded by Mr D Mitchell

BEN KONYN

Ben has been an active EDRS/EHRS member since childhood and previously served on Council as well as YCC (as vice-chair and treasurer). He was also Akela of the Cub Pack, Co-ordinated EDRS' first Mitzvah Day, and currently oversees Youth & Education.
Proposed by Ms J Staal ; seconded by Mrs E Senitt



ROB KOSTER

Rob has been coming to EHRS for many years, and joined Council in 2023. Rob brings business and marketing expertise, as well as being involved in the Synagogue with various activities, from the Shirah services to the 'Let's talk' discussion groups.
Proposed by Mr J Harrod; seconded by Mr N Flash

TANIA LEVY

Tania has been a member of EHRS since 2005. She has been the administrator for the League of Jewish Women for 12 years.
Proposed by Mrs V Joseph; seconded by Mrs M Allen



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ANGELA LIPMAN

Angela is the Chair of the EHRS Eco Group, and a member of the Interfaith Group. She is a regular Synagogue attendee and has a background in advertising.
Proposed by Ms J Sigalov; seconded by Mrs L Kann



NICK MAILER

Nick has run his own tech company for many years and is experienced in managing teams, budgets, and projects. He has been a school governor for 10 years. He and his family have been profoundly impressed with the warm and meaningful EHRS community.
Proposed by Mr A Hirsh; seconded by Ms J Sigalov



DAVID MENDOZA-WOLFSON

David has been on Council since 2019. He is a trustee of the London Jewish Forum and former Senior Vice President of the Board of Deputies of British Jews. He previously worked as the Incident Analyst at CST, and is a lifelong member of the Synagogue.
Proposed by Mr K Davrill; seconded by Mr B Konyn



DANIEL STIASSNY

Daniel and his family have been members of EHRS since 2015.
Daniel has served on Council since 2022.
Proposed by Rabbi M Goldsmith; seconded by Rabbi T Sakhnovich



BRADLEY TRAINIS

Bradley has been on Council for 10 years and has served as both Warden and Senior Warden. All his family participate in Synagogue life.
Proposed by Mr J Harrod; seconded by Mr M Lerman



GIDEON WITTENBERG

Gideon and his family have been members of EHRS since 2019. He has a background in finance banking and property building projects. He was formerly a public affairs officer for the Board of Deputies, and a trustee at Bevis Marks.
Proposed by Ms J Sigalov seconded by Mr K Maddison

