

# 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 1 OCTOBER 2023  
TIME: 11:30  
VENUE: SYNAGOGUE MAIN HALL

## AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the AGM held on 16 October 2022:  
as approved by Council on 13 December 2022
2. Trustees Report: Report from the Trustees on Activities held during 2022
3. Election of Council for 2023:
  - The Honorary Officers:
    - (i) Chairman
    - (ii) Joint Vice-Chairmen
    - (iii) Honorary Treasurer
    - (iv) Assistant Honorary Treasurer
    - (v) Honorary Secretary
    - (vi) 2 Additional Honorary Officer without Portfolio
  - Additional members of Council
4. Election of Junior Warden
5. Approval of the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022
6. Reappointment of the Auditors
7. Subscription Proposal for 2024 Resolution; to consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following Resolution: That as from 1 January 2024 the annual subscription for 2024 shall be increased by 8% to £1,166 (2023 - £1,080) per annum gross for family membership and £583 (2023 - £540) per annum gross for single membership. Should the Retail Price Index for the year to 31 October 2023 be less than 8%, the Honorary Treasurers be empowered to limit the increase accordingly. The Special Projects Fund rate will be the same as for 2023 being £30 per annum gross for family membership and £15 per annum gross for single membership. That the Honorary Treasurers be empowered to establish gross payment amounts for Higher Rate taxpayers so that the net cost to them 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).
8. Any other business

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL:

MICHAEL WEBER, HONORARY SECRETARY

## ELECTION NOTES

- (a) The annual subscription set out above will be the amount
- (b) Members will be invited to voluntarily pay £36 per annum into an EHRS lottery with a monthly winner
- (c) The Board of Deputies voluntary contribution will be £15.00 per person 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 Mr M Lerman; seconded by Mr K Maddison

## **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 E Sander; seconded by Mrs D Bryk



## **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 Chair of the Membership Committee and previously served on the Technology Working Group. He is the current Joint Vice Chair of EHRS.

Proposed by Mrs D Bryk; seconded by Mr B Trainis



## **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 Mr B Konyn; seconded by Mr M Lerman



## **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 B Konyn; seconded by Mrs R Harrod

## **HONORARY SECRETARY: MICHAEL WEBER**

Michael has been a trustee since 2011, responsible for Within EHRS and Shabbat Kiddushim, and is currently the High Holy Day Co-ordinator. He was a Warden for several years, twice as Senior Warden, and has been the Honorary Secretary for the last 3 years.

Proposed by Mr J Langer; seconded by Mrs V Lewis



## **HONORARY OFFICER: ROBERT BRAND**

Robert has served on Council for several years. He is 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 J Harrod; seconded by Mrs R Harrod

## **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. He has been an EHRS Council member since 2018.

Proposed by Mr J Harrod; seconded by Mrs R Harrod



## ADDITIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS



### DONNA BRYK

Donna and her family have been members of EHRS for many years. She has been a Council member since 2021 and is part of various committees. Donna used to help run the 3rd Edgware Brownies at EHRS.

Proposed by Mr B Trainis; seconded by Mr A Hirsh

### KEVIN DARVILL

Kevin has been a member of EHRS since 2020, and a Council member since 2022. He is the Chair of Meketa, the charity helping Jews still in Ethiopia.

Kevin leads occasional services at EHRS

Proposed by Rabbi T Sakhnovich; seconded by Rabbi M Goldsmith



### NEIL FLASH

Neil was previously a Council member at EDRS and EHRS, and served on the Communications Advisory and Technology Review groups.

He is currently a Managing Director of a communications consultancy.

Proposed by Mr J Harrod; seconded by Mr B Konyn

### SHARON GARSON

Sharon has been a member for over 30 years during which time many years and serving on the Warden team for some time, including as Senior Warden. She has a strong interest in our Services and is also Line Manager for Nagila Nursery.

Proposed by Mrs J Brand; seconded by Ms J Sigalov



### 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 A Woolstone; seconded by Mrs D Bryk

### 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 implemented the streaming of services.

Proposed by Mrs E Senitt; seconded by Mrs A Howard



### ROB KOSTER

Rob has been coming to EHRS for many years and he believes it plays an important part in the local community. Rob works in strategic marketing and as well as business leadership.

Proposed by Mr J Harrod; seconded by Mr M Lerman

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### DAVID MENDOZA-WOLFSON

David has been on Council since 2019. He is currently the Vice President of The Board of Deputies of British Jews, and a trustee of the London Jewish Forum. He previously worked as the Incident Analyst at CST. Proposed by Mr B Konyn; seconded by Mr J Harrod

### ERIC SANDER

Eric has served on Council since the merger and was on Council and the Executive Committee at HRS, where he was a member for more than 30 years. He has special interests in our twinned community in Belarus, and other Eastern Europe communities. Proposed by Rabbi M Goldsmith; seconded by Ms K Hanson



### DANIEL STIASNY

Daniel and his family are members of EHRS. Daniel has served on Council since 2022. Proposed by Mr E Sander; seconded by Mr A Woolstone

### 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 Mrs F Aitman; seconded by Mr E Sander



### 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 Mr J Harrod; seconded by Mr B Konyn

## JUNIOR WARDEN

### KITO HOLZ

Kito has been a member of EHRS since 2016, and is part of our Tech Team, a member of our Chevra Kadisha group, and a volunteer Friday night warden. Proposed by Miss B Lemer; seconded by Rabbi M Goldsmith

