Notice is hereby given that the 2026 Annual General Meeting of the Museums Association will be held digitally and voting will commence on the 19 October, with the results announced on 3 November at 1755 at the Rep, Birmingham 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 7 October 2025 at 1630 at Sain Ffagan Amgueddfa Werin Cymru – St Fagans National Museum of History, Cardiff and via our conference platform.

C. Annual Report and Accounts of the Museums Association

To receive the Annual Report and Accounts of the Board for the year 2025/26.

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 2027 individual membership subscription rates will be increased as follows:

	2026/27	2027/28
Essential member	£53	£54
Student, Retired, Unwaged, Volunteer, Trustee	£68	£70
Full member, Associate, Fellow	£102	£105

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 2027 institutional membership bands and subscription rates will be increase as follows:

2026/27

Operating budget	Fee
Less than £111,500	£90
£111,501 – £336,000	£223
£336,001 – £1,120,000	£727
£1,120,001 – £2,240,000	£1,120
£2,240,001 – £11,198,500	£2,016
Over £11,198,500	£2,577
Federations, friends' organisations and specialist groups	£68
Non-UK member	£223

2027/28

Operating budget	Fee
Less than £115,000	£92
£115,001 – £346,000	£229
£346,001 – £1,154,000	£745
£1,154,001 – £2,307,000	£1,148
£2,307,001 – £11,535,000	£2,066
Over £11,535,000	£2,641
Federations, friends' organisations and specialist groups	£70
Non-UK member	£229

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

Following an increase in rates and bands last year that was half the level of inflation, this year with our individual and institutional members continuing to report financial pressures, we propose a rise of 2.5%, which is below the levels of retail, consumer and wage inflation. For our institutional members, bands as well as fees will increase, meaning some organisations may pay significantly less.

Increases in individual membership fees are £1 per annum for Essential members, £2 per annum for Concessionary members, and £3 per annum for Full members. Institutional members will pay between £2 and £64 more per annum, with the majority increasing by £6 or less.