

AGM Elections 2020

As this year's AGM will be taking place online, the Trustees of The Spring have decided to ask Members to register their votes in advance. The laws relating to charity meetings has recently been updated to allow members to vote electronically or via post to improve the experience of online meetings and the accuracy of voting within them.

There are two ways you can vote at the AGM:

- 1) Online via Survey Monkey
We have created a short survey which you can link to here:
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TheSpringAGM20>
- 2) Via post
You can return the form at the end of this document to The Spring

Votes must have been received by 4pm on Thursday 3 December to be counted.

Minutes of the 2019 AGM

At each AGM the minutes of the previous meeting are reviewed. We then ask the membership to accept the minutes as accurate. This year the minutes are being proposed by Steve Murray and seconded by Peter Hammond.

Trustee Elections

The Spring's board of trustees includes seven elected and up to five co-opted trustees. Details of our current board members can be found online at <http://thespring.co.uk/about-us/meet-the-team/our-trustees/>

Every year one third of our elected trustees must resign and in many cases can stand for re-election. This year Paul Jessop and Richard McMillan are resigning, as they are the longest serving elected trustees on the board. We send them many thanks for their service so far and hope to continue working with them in elected and co-opted positions.

This year we have four Trustee spaces available for elected trustees. Putting themselves forward for election are:

Paul Jessop

Paul is currently the Chair of Trustees, who has been on the board since 2018. This year he is required to resign and be re-elected this year in order to stand as Chair for the next year.

Paul has many years' experience in charity management and a personal love of the arts and art centres. He began his career as a professional fundraiser and has also worked in organisational development and as Chief Executive for a number of charities covering subjects from drug abuse and spiritual healing to heritage. Paul has lived on the Hampshire/

Sussex border for over 20 years and was a Councillor and Chair of a Sussex Parish Council for five years.

Francesca Moody

Francesca is an award-winning theatre producer, having produced work at the Edinburgh Festival, in London, on tour across the UK and internationally. She is best-known as the original producer of the multi-award winning and Olivier award-winning Fleabag by Phoebe Waller-Bridge, which she has produced globally and most recently in London's West End. In 2020 her latest production, Baby Reindeer, won an Olivier award and is currently transferring to New York.

Sarah Shepherd

Sarah is co-artistic Director of the award-winning Filskit Theatre, who specialise in creating theatre for early years children and their families. In addition to directing and performing, Sarah works as a facilitator, specialising in inclusive work for children and adults with learning disabilities. She has also led projects for Neurodivergent artists. She lives in Gosport.

Tom Spurgin

Tom is originally from Portsmouth and is now based in London and works as Audience Development Manager at the Philharmonia Orchestra. Tom co-chairs the orchestra's equality group. He specialises in community engagement and co-creation and is passionate that organisations are representative of and relevant to the widest communities. In October 2020 Tom began his doctoral study on audience development in UK orchestras with the University of Sheffield and Manchester Collective.

You can register your vote or abstention for each of these potential trustees online at: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TheSpringAGM20>

Election of Auditors

Each year The Spring asks its members to vote for the auditors we will work with in the coming year.

We hope our Members will vote for The Spring to continue to work with Morris Crocker, a Havant based firm of Chartered Accountants. Morris Crocker have a particular expertise in working with charities and have a strong relationship with The Spring.

In previous years The Spring have requested quotes from other auditors and accountants. The impact of Covid-19 in 2020 means that we have not searched for other providers. It is the Trustee's and Chief Executive's belief that The Spring is best placed to continue to work with Morris Crocker over the next few years as the financial situation stabilises.

You can register your vote or abstention for Morris Crocker continuing to work as The Spring's auditors using the Survey Monkey link or the form attached.

Thank you for taking the time to engage in these important processes.

Voting Form

All voting for this year's AGM can be done online via the links on page 1. We are also happy to accept postal votes cast using this form.

Postal votes must have been received by 4pm on Thursday 3 December 2020 in order to be counted at AGM.

Please send completed forms to:
Sophie Fullerlove, The Spring, 56 East Street, Havant, PO9 1BS.

Your Name	
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I accept the Minutes of the 2019 AGM (please tick)

Please place a tick in the relevant boxes to indicate your vote or abstention for each candidate	Vote	Abstain
Paul Jessop		
Francesca Moody		
Sarah Shepherd		
Tom Spurgin		

Please place a tick in the relevant box to indicate your vote or abstention	Vote	Abstain
Morris Crocker		