

# Share The Vision Board - Annual General Meeting 2017

Thursday, November 30th 2017, Judd Street London

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**Present:** Mark Freeman (Chair), Mark McCree (Secretary), Fiona Taylor (Clearvision), Emma Scott (Calibre), Julie Gibson (Independent), Jackie Chelin (SCONUL), Paul McCloskey (Edinburgh/Scotland), Mark Taylor (CILIP),

**Apologies:** Fiona Williams (York, Society of Chief Librarians), Alex Britton (Clearvision), and Jeremy Shillito (British Library)

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<b>Agenda Items</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1. Welcome, introductions &amp; apologies for absence</b>	The Chair welcomed all to Annual General Meeting for 2017; and gave apologies for those who were unable to attend (see above).	
<b>2. Minutes of the meeting 1 December 2016</b>	Minutes of the last AGM on 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2016 were agreed. Proposed Jacki Chelin, seconded Emma Scott.	
<b>3. Approval of the Annual Report &amp; Accounts 2016-2017</b>	<p>Mark Freeman ran through the annual report and accounts for 2016-17, highlighting the key points, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increasingly testing time for library workers and the provision of accessible library services across the UK. STV has worked hard with its partners to widely promote our message and to offer practical support.</li><li>• Relationship with RNIB's National Library Service has been crucial this year ensuring that Share the Vision continues, in particular re. delivery of key projects and the Six Steps workshops. Appreciation was expressed to Julie Gibson, Mark McCree and Wendi Webb for their support.</li><li>• Significant progress was achieved in promoting the Six Steps Promise (mainly through a series of regional workshops), and we have now launched the online training module (thanks to some funding from Arts Council England).</li><li>• Former Board members, Sally Duncan (School Library Association), Clive Gardiner (RNIB) Shona Hill (SLIC representative and Company Secretary), Christine Ronaldson (Calibre Audio Library; continuing on as our representative on Libraries and Archives Copyright Alliance), and Nick Stopforth (SCL) were thanked for their valued input.</li><li>• The sad passing of David Owen, who had been a stalwart of Share the Vision for many years, including being a former Director and editor/compiler of the excellent fortnightly Bulletins – his passion for and knowledge/experience of libraries, reading and supporting people with sight loss will be greatly missed.</li></ul>	

With specific regard to the Finance Report, it was noted that the previous switch to email distribution for the subscription communications had had a negative impact on the level of responses, and the return to hard copy billing had subsequently

The Annual report was accepted; proposed Mark McCree and seconded by Mark Taylor.

The Finance Report and Accounts were accepted; proposed Julie Gibson and seconded by Paul McCloskey.

**4. Election of  
Chair 2017-2018**

Mark Freeman was the sole nomination for Chair and was therefore elected unopposed with the unanimous support of all the other Board Members.

Mark Freeman will become Chair of the Society of Chief Librarians in 2018. Due to the heavy workload associated with this prestigious role, 2017/18 is therefore likely to be his last stint as Chair of Share The Vision and he announced his intention to standing down in December 2018.

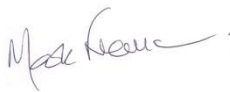
**5. Appointment of  
auditor 2017-2018**

The Board unanimously agreed to re-appoint Merchant Macdonald to provide accountancy/auditing services for Share The Vision for the financial year 2017-2018.

**6. Close of  
meeting**

The meeting was brought to an end. The date of next AGM will be **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

Signed:



Mark Freeman  
(Chair)  
December 2017