



## Communication to SCI Members on 2020 AGM

Dear SCI Member,

The 139<sup>th</sup> SCI Annual General Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday 1 July. The COVID-19 pandemic means that it will not be possible to hold an event at Belgrave Square. The Charity Commission has advised that charity trustees should aim to ensure that an annual report is submitted and take whatever prudent measures are deemed necessary under the state of emergency.

The Board of Trustees has been following this advice and has, therefore, approved a package of measures concerning the AGM, which will be held as a webinar with a simplified agenda. Further details of how to join the AGM on 1 July will follow.

The SCI Board has decided not to hold elections to governance committees this year. Twelve-month appointments will be offered to those due to stand down from governance committees. Some committees have elected places available and so members will be encouraged to register their interest in being appointed to a specific governance committee for 2020/21. Invitations to join committees on this basis will be issued to those with appropriate skills and competencies.

I trust that you will understand why we have had to take these measures at this exceptionally difficult time. I hope that you and your family are keeping safe and well, and look forward to seeing you again at SCI events as soon as possible.

Many thanks for your support.

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