

RIBI Business Meeting 2017 - Agenda

1. Annual Report for 2015/16

Immediate Past President Peter Davey will present the annual report of the General Council for the year 2015/16.

- **Report of the RIBI Donations Trust - to be taken as read questions only**
- **Report of the RIBI Premises Trustee - to be taken as read questions only**

After the presentation, the following resolution will be put to the conference:

That the Annual Report of the General Council 2015/16 be adopted.

2. Report by the Director of Rotary International

3. Statements of Account for 2015/16

Honorary Treasurer Niall Blair will present the annual accounts of the Association for the year 2015/16. After discussion the following resolution will be put to the meeting:

That the audited statements of account for the year ended 30th June 2016 be adopted.

4. Auditors

That Burgis and Bullock, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, be appointed auditors to the Association for 2016/17 accounts.

5. Nominations

The elected President Nominee of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland 2017/18 and the District Governors for 2019/20 will be formally presented for nomination by conference to the convention of Rotary International for election.

President Nominee 2017/18 Donna Wallbank		
District 1010 – Alistair McNair	District 1110 – Lawrence Tristram	District 1190 – Miles Leadbeater
District 1020 – Johanna Pawley	District 1120 – TBC	District 1200 – Dennis Stevens
District 1030 – Jacqueline Molyneux	District 1130 – Tony Sharma	District 1210 – Brian Reilly
District 1040 – Manoj Joshi	District 1145 – Alan Moss	District 1220 – Cheryle Berry
District 1060 – Michael Pegg	District 1150 – Peter Hamilton	District 1230 – Jimmy Johnston MBE
District 1070 – Rodney Spokes	District 1160 – William Cross	District 1240 – Pauline Dean
District 1080 – Jonathan King	District 1175 – Simon Wood	District 1260 – Mary Whitehead
District 1090 – Frank Quinn	District 1180 – Bob Maskall	District 1285 – Patrick Tyrrell
District 1100 – Judy Powell		

6. RIBI Structure and Business Plan 2017/20

Vice President Denis Spiller will present the ***RIBI Structure and Business Plan for the Rotary years 2017/20***. After discussion, resolution **16/17:01** will be put to the business meeting covering a three year rolling financial forecast.

7. Proposed budget for 2017/18

Honorary Treasurer Niall Blair will present a balanced budget for the Rotary year 2017/18.

After discussion, the following resolutions will be put to the business meeting:

That the budget for 2017/18, incorporating an annual subscription of £60 per member, be approved.

That the budget for 2018/19, incorporating an annual subscription of £62 per member, be approved.

That the budget for 2019/20, incorporating an annual subscription of £65 per member, be approved.

8. Resolutions to the RIBI Business Meeting 2017

Overview of Resolutions to the RIBI Business Meeting 2017

Resolution Number with Purpose and Effect
<p><i>16/17:01 To amend the financial cycle of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland</i></p> <p>To bring the financial cycle of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland into line with the triennial cycle of Rotary International and make arrangements for budgeting for income and expenditure on a 3 year cycle rather than on a 1 year basis as at present.</p>
<p><i>16/17:02 To amend the Articles of Constitution of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland.</i></p> <p>The General Council believes that by altering the name of the General Council to Governing Council better reflects what the Council does and the relationship between it and other committees. Any amendments to the Constitution shall become effective only when constitutionally ratified by Rotary International.</p>
<p><i>16/17:03 To amend the name of the General Council and Executive Committee.</i></p> <p>The General Council believes that altering the name of the General Council to Governing Council and the name of the Executive Committee to Operational Committee better reflects what they do and makes the relationship between them clearer.</p>
<p><i>16/17:04 To amend the timing for the Association Business Meeting.</i></p> <p>Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland propose to hold a face to face business meeting every third year. In the intervening years the business meeting will be held in appropriate format including on line as agreed by the General Council.</p>
<p><i>16/17:05 To amend the requirement that the Hon. Treasurer of RIBI has to have been a member of the RIBI General Council.</i></p> <p>The General Council feel that by deleting the mandatory requirement to have served as a District Governor on General Council before being eligible for nomination as Honorary Treasurer will result in a widening of the likely candidates for Honorary Treasurer.</p>
<p><i>16/17:06 To amend the expenses paid to ex-officio voting delegates to the Annual Business Meeting.</i></p> <p>The current RIBI By-laws do not reflect the Standing Decisions of the General Councils of 2001-2002 and 2005-2006 regarding those ex-officio voting delegates to the Annual Business Meeting whose expenses are paid by the Association. The proposed resolution removes any ambiguity and brings the RIBI By-laws and General Council Standing Decisions into harmony. The By Law will take effect from the 1st July 2017.</p>
<p><i>16/17:07 To discontinue the annual conference of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland in its present format and instigate an alternative annual event which will focus on such matters as external public relations/marketing within an agreed budget.</i></p> <p>The General Council recommends that the RIBI Conference in its present format be discontinued with effect from the 1st July 2018. It is proposed that an alternative Annual Event will take place with a focus on external matters within an agreed budget reducing the overall costs of staging a Conference and business meeting of the Association.</p>
<p><i>16/17:08 To amend the system of voting for District Councils to allow for electronic voting which may include e mail or internet technology in addition to postal voting in respect of By Law 11(9)(d) and as an alternative to a show of hands as in By Law 11(11)(d.) where the District Council is inquorate.</i></p> <p>In the event of a District Council not being quorate, the effect is to allow District Councils to be able to conduct their essential business.</p>
<p><i>16/17:09 To amend the provisions relating to the Selection Advisory Committee for President and Honorary Treasurer.</i></p> <p>The role of the Selection Advisory Committee has been amended such that the Committee no longer makes a recommendation as to which candidate should, in its opinion, be elected, but instead is charged with reviewing the nominations and putting forward for election those candidates whom it believes satisfy the criteria laid down by General Council.</p>
<p><i>16/17:10 To amend the provisions relating to the Selection Advisory Committee for RI Director</i></p> <p>The role of the Selection Advisory Committee has been amended such that the Committee no longer makes a recommendation as to which candidate should, in its opinion, be elected, but instead is charged with reviewing the nominations and putting forward for election those candidates whom it believes satisfy the criteria laid down by General Council.</p>

1 **Resolution 16/17:02**

2 To amend the Articles of Constitution of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland.

3 **Proposed by General Council**

4 IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland that the ARTICLES OF
5 THE CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL IN GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND be and are hereby
6 amended as follows:

7 **RIBI Article 2 – Definitions**

8 Throughout these articles and by-laws, unless the subject or context otherwise clearly requires, the
9 words in this article shall have the following meanings:

10 8. ~~General-Governing~~ Council. The ~~General~~ Governing Council of the Association.

11 **Article 7 – Governing Body**

12 The Governing Body of the Association shall be the ~~General-Governing~~ Governing Council as described in the
13 by-laws of the Association.

14 **Article 9 – Administration**

15 Section A – Territorial Unit

16 In accordance with the provisions of *Article 8 of the Constitution of Rotary International* the Area is
17 divided into districts. The ~~General-Governing~~ Governing Council shall from time to time define the boundaries
18 of a district and, if deemed desirable, increase or decrease the number of districts, subject to the
19 approval of the Board of Directors of Rotary International

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21 Material to be deleted is lined through and will not appear in the revised text.

22 New material is underlined.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT
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FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT
No Financial Impact.

23 **IF THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED THIS WILL RESULT IN:**

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26 words in this article shall have the following meanings:

27 8. Governing Council. The Governing Council of the Association.

28 **Article 7 – Governing Body**

29 The Governing Body of the Association shall be the Governing Council as described in the by-laws of
30 the Association.

31 **Article 9 – Administration**

32 Section A – Territorial Unit

33 In accordance with the provisions of *Article 8 of the Constitution of Rotary International* the Area is

divided into districts. The Governing Council shall from time to time define the boundaries of a district and, if deemed desirable, increase or decrease the number of districts, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of Rotary International

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE
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This Resolution will, to be adopted, require the votes of not less than two-thirds of the voting delegates present and voting (RIBI Article 12 and 15 (1) and RIBI By-Laws 7 and 15). This Resolution if adopted, will only come into effect from the 1 st July following the Council of Legislation.
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