

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019

Saturday 12 October 2019

11am – 2.30pm

[Music Therapy Centre, Anglia Ruskin University, Young Street,  
Cambridge, CB1 2LZ](#)

Dear Member,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the British Association for Music Therapy will be held at the Anglia Ruskin University, Young Street, Cambridge, CB1 2LZ at 12pm on 12 October 2019.

You are warmly invited to attend this year's AGM. A light lunch will be provided between 1.30pm – 2.30pm.

You can return your voting form to us either via email [info@bamt.org](mailto:info@bamt.org) or post. If you cannot attend the meeting, please vote by appointing a proxy or returning your form to us before the AGM.

We encourage all members to attend the AGM where possible. To confirm your attendance, please complete the following doodle link:

<https://doodle.com/poll/hquaagaftrrs256>

I look forward to seeing you in Cambridge.

Best wishes,

Ben Saul  
BAMT Chair of Trustees

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### Agenda

11am - 11.30am	Arrival; Tea/Coffee & refreshments
11.30am -12pm	Presentation by BAMT Governance Committee
12pm – 1.30pm	AGM <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Welcome &amp; apologies</li><li>2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018</li><li>3. Presentation of the Annual Reports and Accounts</li><li>4. Election/Re-election &amp; resignation of Trustees</li><li>5. Resolutions (see overleaf)</li><li>6. Any Other Business &amp; questions</li></ol>
1.30pm - 2.30pm	Lunch

Special Resolution to be proposed by Stephen Sandford, BAMT Member

That the ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION of the BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC THERAPY be amended as follows:

Current:

Article 11.4 The Charity must hold an AGM in every year which all members are entitled to attend. The first AGM must be held within 10 months after the end of the Charity's first financial year.

Proposed:

Article 11.4 The Charity must hold an AGM in every year which all members are entitled to attend. The first AGM must be held within 10 months after the end of the Charity's first financial year. When a national BAMT conference takes place, the AGM for that year should be held within the context of that event.

Rationale for Resolution:

Attendance at AGMs is very low and greater involvement of the membership in the BAMT AGM will be facilitated through the AGM taking place as part of the BAMT Conference.

# “This house believes the Chair of the British Association for Music Therapy does not need to be a music therapist”

## Debate

Although BAMT had several expressions of interest and one firm offer to step into the role, we have not been able to fill the role of Chair in the most recent recruitment process. Our memorandum and articles state that the chair of BAMT must be a music therapist, but Membership feedback suggests that the role of Chair feels too big to fit around the busy working life of a practising clinician music therapist.

A Chair of an organisation has duties relating to how the organisation is run: does this need specific qualities that can only be found in music therapists, or is the right person for the job someone who has high-level experience of leading a charity?

Debate speakers will be confirmed very soon.