

# BVA AGM

## British Veterinary Association Annual General Meeting

Swansea, 19 September 2019



The **2019 Annual General Meeting** of the British Veterinary Association will

be held at Brangwyn Hall, Swansea, on Thursday 19 September 2019, at 16.15.

### Agenda

#### For members only

1. To approve the report of the meeting held on 20 September 2018.
2. To receive the annual report for 2018/2019, and the 2018 income and expenditure account and balance sheet of the Association, and the report of the auditors.
3. To approve membership subscription rates for 2020. To receive the recommendation of the Board that the annual membership subscription rates proposed in the table on page 238 shall apply from 1 January 2020.
4. To approve the aggregate remuneration of £186,786 for Directors, including Officers, for the period 1 October 2019 to 30 September 2020, non-Officer Directors' remuneration making up £42,286 of the above total.
5. To elect officers for 2019-2020 on receipt of the following nominations from Council:  

<b>President</b>	Daniella Dos Santos
<b>Junior Vice President</b>	James S Russell
6. To re-elect Judith Collings as a Non-Member Director.
7. To elect auditors, Buzzacott, to serve until the next annual general meeting and for their remuneration to be set by the Board.
8. To adopt, by Special Resolution, new Articles of Association\* (which includes amendments to the composition of the Board of Directors [Articles 57 & 58]).
9. To elect Honorary Associates.
10. To elect Honorary Members and Life Members.
11. To confirm that the 2020 Annual General Meeting will be held in September 2020.
12. Any other matters.

**The above business for members only will be followed after a short interval by the public proceedings for the purposes of reporting the AGM.**

13. Report the election of Officers for 2019/2020.
14. Inauguration of new President.

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\* The new Articles of Association can be found in the members-only area of the BVA website at [www.bva.co.uk/membersday](http://www.bva.co.uk/membersday)

### Appointment of proxies for the BVA AGM

1. As a member of the British Veterinary Association, you are entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of your rights to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting. You can appoint a proxy using the proxy form available at [www.bva.co.uk/membersday](http://www.bva.co.uk/membersday). Copies of the proxy form can also be provided by post upon written request to the Association at its registered office, British Veterinary Association, 7 Mansfield Street, London W1G 9NQ. You can only appoint a proxy using the procedures set out in these notes and the notes to the proxy form.
2. If you do not give your proxy an indication of how to vote on any resolution, your proxy will vote or abstain from voting at his or her discretion. Your proxy will vote (or abstain from voting) as he or she thinks fit in relation to any other matter which is put before the Annual General Meeting.
3. A form appointing a proxy shall be deposited at the registered office of the Association not less than 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting at which the person named in such instrument proposes to vote, and shall only be valid for the particular meeting in respect of which it shall be given, or any adjournment thereof. Any change to your proxy instructions or revocation of your proxy appointment must be deposited at the registered office of the Association not less than 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting.
4. Appointment of a proxy does not preclude you from attending the Annual General Meeting and voting in person. If you have appointed a proxy and attend the Annual General Meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated.

## Membership pricing

To support recent graduates, it is proposed to reduce the rate paid by members in their first year on the RCVS register from the current rate of £99 to £80 and to freeze the rates paid by those in their second to eighth year on the register. It is also proposed to freeze the rate paid by students.

An increase of 2 per cent is proposed for other individual categories in line with inflation.

An increase of 4 per cent is proposed for group membership categories, taking the entry rate (for 1-5 staff) to £920. Despite the increase group membership continues to offer excellent value for money for employers able to sign up all their staff holding a veterinary medicine degree.

### Additional notes

The rates displayed in the table show the lower rates available to new members and for existing members paying by annual, quarterly or monthly direct debit, or by other means before their renewal date. Each rate is increased by £20 if paid after the membership renewal date has passed.

BVA membership subscription rates 2019			
Membership categories	Annual rate for payment by direct debit/ card/ cheque before renewal date and new members	Monthly rate by direct debit*	Annual rate after renewal date for members paying by card/cheque
Main/standard	£336	£28	£356
Associate	£336	£28	£356
Young vets			
First year after RCVS registration	£80	£6.67	£100
Second year after RCVS registration	£99	£8.25	£119
Third and fourth year after RCVS registration	£164	£13.67	£184
Fifth and sixth year after RCVS registration	£218	£18.17	£238
Seventh and eighth year after RCVS registration	£273	£22.75	£293
Reduced rates			
Retired, parental leave/career break, salary below £21k or postgraduate student	£168	£14	£188
Other			
Joint (cohabiting)	£468	£39	£488
Student	£45	£3.75	£65
Group membership			
Small group (fixed fee up to five members)	£920	£76.67	£1020
Price per head for member 6 to 25	£184	£15.33	£204
Price per head for member 26 to 50	£154	£12.83	£174
Price per head for member 51+	£121	£10.08	£141
* Although monthly payment options are available, the minimum term of membership is one year			

• Anyone with any questions can contact the Head of Membership, Tim Keen, at [timk@bva.co.uk](mailto:timk@bva.co.uk)

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