

**Annual General Meeting 2017 - Minutes**

**5.30pm Tuesday 23 January 2018**

Linklaters

Recorded by: Willow Oddie

Chaired by: Angela Patrick

**Present:** Aidan Eardley, Angela Patrick, Anna Tkaczynska, Brendan McGurk, Callum Lynch, Daniel Holt, Dervla Simm, Emma Fenelon, Geeta Koska, Griff Ferris, Ian Browne, Imogen Proud, Kate Beattie, Lubka Mieresova, Markus Findlay, Martha Jean Baker, Michael Polak, Philip Rule, Rachel Logan, Ron Appah, Sarah Askew, Shina Animashaun, Shoaib Khan, Yaa Dankwa Ampadu-Sackey,

**Apologies:** Paul Dillane, Leanne Targett-Parker, Daniel Denman

Agenda Item/Matter	Minute	Action	Who
Welcome	Emma Fenelon (EF) opened the meeting and made special thanks to HRLA Chair Angela Patrick (AP) for her hard work throughout 2017 as well as Linklaters LLP for their generous hosting of tonight's meeting and lecture.		
Minutes of the previous AGM	Minutes of the 2016 AGM were approved.		
Announcement of the 2018 Executive Committee	<p>AP thanked resigning committee members Asma Nizami and Caterina Franchi for their hard work over the last few years, particularly their efforts on the YLC.</p> <p><b>2018 Executive Committee:</b>            Lord Lester of Herne Hill – President            Angela Patrick – Chair (Doughty Street Chambers)            Emma Fenelon – Vice Chair (One Crown Office Row)            Anna Tkaczynska – Secretary (Serjeants' Inn Chambers)            Leanne Targett-Parker – Treasurer (10 Kings Bench Walk)</p>		

	<p>Paul Dillane – Bursary Officer (Kaleidoscope Trust)  Brendan McGurk (Monckton Chambers)  Imogen Proud (Monckton Chambers)  Dervla Simm (Hogan Lovells International LLP)  Kate Beattie (Doughty Street Chambers)  Shoaib Khan (SMK Law Solicitors)  Tom Tabori (39 Essex Chambers)  Philip Rule (No. 5 Barristers Chambers)  Sarah Askew (Leigh Day)  Michael Polak (Church Court Chambers)  Ranette Prime (Hackney Council)  Martha Jean Baker (Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom)</p>		
<p>Report from the YLC</p>	<p>2017 YLC Chair, Ian Browne, reported on the events and projects of the year and extended thanks to all 2017 YLC members and the Executive for their hard work and support of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Moot - Lord Justice Underhill, Sean Jones QC and Heather Williams QC ruled in favour of Karen Tsang and John Chan, making them the winners of the 2017 HRLA Judicial Review Competition.</li> <li>• Careers Days – London’s took place in May at the Law Society; in October for the first time, the event was held at University of Manchester.</li> <li>• Mental Health event</li> <li>• Faith Event</li> <li>• ‘Young Human Rights Lawyer’, the annual YLC journal which was launched today. An electronic copy will be available on the website shortly.</li> </ul> <p>AP reiterated that the YLC is a committee designed for ‘new entrants’ into the field, and not young in age. Applauded the YLC for their work in ensuring that the voice and interests of new entrants are heard and supported through the work they do and opportunities they provide, and in particular, Ian Browne who has been an excellent and tireless chair.</p>	<p>➤ WO to liaise with MF to launch journal online.</p>	<p>WO/MF</p>

Election of the 2018 YLC	<p>By ballots passed at the meeting and those received two days before by email, secured the following members positions on the 2018 YLC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Zehra Hasan</li> <li>- Markus Findlay</li> <li>- Lucy Maxwell</li> <li>- Jeremy Frost</li> <li>- Geeta Koska</li> <li>- Daniel Holt</li> <li>- Callum Lynch</li> <li>- Brenda Efurhievwe</li> </ul> <p>Congratulations to the newly elected committee and thank you to all those who took the time to submit nominations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ WO to circulate email to new committee members</li> <li>➤ New YLC to set date for first meeting (to include election of new YLC chair, and nomination of two members to be co-opted onto the Executive)</li> </ul>	WO YLC
Report from the HRLA Chair	See Chair's Report here.		
Report from the Treasurer	See Treasurer's Report here.		
Ratification of Executive Constitutional Amendments	<p>AP put forward an amendment to allow for expenditures of up to £250 to be approved by Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer; amounts in excess of £250 must go through full committee approval.</p> <p>No objections – motion was passed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ EF/AP to finalise amendment.</li> </ul>	EF/AP

MEETING CLOSED 18.25