



The Society for Army Historical Research

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Notice was given in the Society's Winter Newsletter, published on 15 December 2025 that the 98th Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held on Wednesday 29 April 2026 at 5.00 pm at the National Army Museum, Royal Hospital Rd, London SW3 4HT.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Chair's Welcome
3. Adoption of the Minutes of the 97th Annual General Meeting held on 30 April 2025
4. Adoption of the Trustees' Report & the Accounts for 1 January to 31 December 2025
5. Thanks to the contributors to the Society's Journal
6. Request for an increase in subscription rates.

Under the Society's constitution para 4(b), subscription rates and categories and conditions of membership shall be such as are from time to time fixed at the Annual General Meeting.

Your Council has approved the submission to the 2026 AGM of the proposals below.

The Hon. Treasurer and the Hon. Membership Secretary request the Annual General Meeting on 29 April 2026 to approve:

- i) that the UK and International student membership categories be combined at a subscription of £25 per annum (currently £20 UK and £30 international);
- ii) that Digital membership be opened to UK as well as international full members; and
- iii) that these changes be implemented with effect from 1 January 2027.

Explanatory Note

These are minor adjustments to our subscription rates to recognise that, as student members only receive an electronic copy of the journal, there is no postage cost to justify the different rates, and to recognise the increased demand from UK members for digital membership.

7. To elect members to Council for the coming year

Dr Andrew Bamford MA, PhD (Digital Media)

Professor Ian Beckett BA, PhD, FRHistS, FSAHR (Chair of Templer Medal Sub-Committee)

Brigadier Dr James Cook OBE, PhD (Chair)

Dr Andrew Cormack BA, PhD, FSA, FRHistS (Hon. Editor)
Frederick Hyde BA, MA, FRHistS (Events)
Dr Nicola Martin PhD, FHEA (Grants)
Zeb Micic MA, FSA Scot (Essay Prize)
Dr Glyn Pryor PhD (National Army Museum Liaison)
Colonel Giles Orpen-Smellie BA (Hon. Membership Secretary)
Rohan Saravanamuttu BSc, MA, ACA (Hon. Treasurer)
Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Simon Shephard MA
Dr Andy Simpson BA, PhD, FRHistS (Book Reviews Editor)
Peter Swabey BA, FCG (Hon. Secretary)

9. Appointment of Independent Examiner

To propose the appointment of Haydn Wood (Partner), SRG LLP, of Apothecaries Hall, 16-18 Black Friars Lane, London, EC4V 6EB as Independent Examiner.

10. Report on the 2025 Templer Medal and Chapple Prize

11. Honorary Officer's and Council members reports on the Activities of the Society

- a. Chair's Report
- b. Hon. Secretary's Report
- c. Hon. Treasurer's Report
- d. Hon. Membership Secretary's Report
- e. Hon. Editor's Report
- f. Remaining Council Members Reports as required

12. Any Other Business (notified in advance to the Hon. Secretary (secretary@sahr.org.uk) no later than 18 March 2026.)

The date of the 99th Annual General Meeting to be in April 2027 will be on a date and at a venue to be selected by the Society's Council.

Peter Swabey, FCG
Honorary Secretary
20th March 2026