

MINUTES

ASGBI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 17th June 2026, 12.00 – 13.00

1.	Welcome from the President	Doc
	i. Declarations of any conflicts of interests or loyalties by Fellows. The President, Mr Christian Macutkiewicz, welcomed members to the 2026 AGM, held via Teams. No conflicts of interests or loyalties were declared by those present.	
PART I: REPORT FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR		
2.	Deaths	
	i. In memoriam There was no member deaths reported in the last 12 months.	
3.	Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting	
	i. To receive the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18th June 2025. The minutes of the AGM held on 18th June 2025, distributed as Document A, were approved.	A
PART II: ASGBI MEMBERSHIP COMPANY		
4.	Brief overview of the previous year's activities	
	i. To receive a verbal report from the President. The President provided a report on activities since the previous AGM. Membership remains strong and active, with positive feedback received from Congress and high levels of engagement both nationally and internationally. The President reported confidence in the Association's future, noting that it is well positioned for future success. The Association's financial position is strong, providing a solid foundation for future leadership.	
	ii. Memorandum and Articles of ASGBI Ltd. The Memorandum and Articles of ASGBI Ltd were distributed as Document B.	B
	iii. Governance Update: Director Reappointment and Designated Societies The President reported two governance updates. Following review, a new byelaw has been introduced to provide a clear and consistent framework for director reappointments, to support succession planning and to ensure transparency in future appointments. The byelaw states that a director may	C



	apply for a second term following completion of their initial appointment, either in the same or a different role; however, reappointment is not automatic and candidates must follow the standard appointment process applicable to all Board members. The Executive Board reviewed the Association’s historic Designated Societies Framework, noting that it limited flexibility in extending invitations to participate in Congress activities. The Board agreed to discontinue the framework, enabling a more flexible approach in engaging with emerging societies and other interested organisations, thereby supporting the development of new relationships and opportunities for collaboration. The Obyelaws were approved.																	
5.	Directors and Members of Council																	
	i. Appointment of Directors to the Executive Board of Directors The President noted that no Directors have demitted and announced the following newly appointed Directors: <table><tr><td>Director of Scientific Programme</td><td>Mr Dimitrios Damaskos</td></tr><tr><td>Honorary Secretary</td><td>Mr Ravi Vohra</td></tr></table>	Director of Scientific Programme	Mr Dimitrios Damaskos	Honorary Secretary	Mr Ravi Vohra													
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	ii. To confirm the reappointment of the following Executive Below were the Directors reappointed to the Executive Board over the previous 12 months: <table><tr><td>President (until 31.12.2026)</td><td>Mr Christian Macutkiewicz</td></tr><tr><td>President Elect</td><td>Mr Jonathan Epstein</td></tr><tr><td>Director of Finance</td><td>Mr Giles Bond-Smith</td></tr><tr><td>Director of Research</td><td>Miss Marianne Hollyman</td></tr><tr><td>Director of Equality, Diversity & Inclusivity</td><td>Miss Kiran Altaf</td></tr><tr><td>Director of Emergency General Surgery</td><td>Mr Adam Peckham Cooper</td></tr><tr><td>Director of Education & Training</td><td>Mr Nicholas Watson</td></tr><tr><td>Director of Trauma</td><td>Miss Kate Hancorn</td></tr></table>	President (until 31.12.2026)	Mr Christian Macutkiewicz	President Elect	Mr Jonathan Epstein	Director of Finance	Mr Giles Bond-Smith	Director of Research	Miss Marianne Hollyman	Director of Equality, Diversity & Inclusivity	Miss Kiran Altaf	Director of Emergency General Surgery	Mr Adam Peckham Cooper	Director of Education & Training	Mr Nicholas Watson	Director of Trauma	Miss Kate Hancorn	
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	The President thanked all demitting Council members for their hard work and valuable contribution to the Association.									
	iv. Members appointed or elected to Council Below were the Council members who have been appointed over the previous 12 months: <table><tr><td>President of the Moynihan Academy</td><td>Ms Gita Lingam</td></tr><tr><td>Lead in General Surgery for Childhood</td><td>Ms Sarah Almond</td></tr><tr><td>Medicolegal Lead</td><td>Mr Gary Spence</td></tr><tr><td>Regional Representative, West Midlands</td><td>Mr Umair Rashid</td></tr></table>	President of the Moynihan Academy	Ms Gita Lingam	Lead in General Surgery for Childhood	Ms Sarah Almond	Medicolegal Lead	Mr Gary Spence	Regional Representative, West Midlands	Mr Umair Rashid	
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6.	Election of Fellows of the Association During the Previous Year A full list of all Fellows (Retired, Affiliate, Associate, Full and Corresponding) elected to membership of the Association since the previous AGM was distributed as Document D.	D								
7.	Honorary Fellowship									
	i. Honorary Fellowship was conferred to: Honorary Fellowship was conferred to Dr Paula Ferrada at the ASGBI 2026 Congress in Brighton.									
8.	Designated Societies No Designated Society status had been conferred over the last 12 months, and this has now moved to a more flexible arrangement.									
9.	Financial Report	E								
	i. Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2024 The Director of Finance summarised the written report, distributed as Document E. Full Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 was distributed as Document F.	F								
	ii. To approve Ford Bentall LLP as the Association's Auditors for 2025 It was agreed that, on the recommendation of the Executive Board, Ford Bentall LLP should be re-appointed as the Association's Auditors for the 2025 accounts.									
10.	Written reports from Directors									
	i. President The President provided a written report, Mr Christian Macutkiewicz, distributed as Document M01.	M01								
	ii. President Elect / Representative to the Council of the RCS England A written report was provided by the President Elect / Representative to the Council of the RCS England, Mr Jonathan Epstein, distributed as Document M02.	M02								
	iii. Director of Scientific Programme	M03								

	The Director of Scientific Programme provided a written report, Mr Dimitrios Damaskos, distributed as Document M03.	
	iv. Director of Research The Director of Research provided a written report, Miss Marianne Hollyman, distributed as Document M04.	M04
	v. Director of Equality, Diversity & Inclusivity A written report was provided by the Director of Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity, Miss Kiran Altaf, distributed as Document M05.	M05
	vi. Director of Emergency General Surgery The Director of Emergency General Surgery provided a written report, Mr Adam Peckham-Cooper, distributed as Document M06.	M06
	vii. Director of Media and Engagement A written report was provided by the Director of Media and Engagement, Mr Ravi Vohra, distributed as Document M07.	M07
	viii. Director of Education and Training A written report was provided by the Director of Education and Training, Mr Nicholas Watson, distributed as Document M08.	M08
	ix. Director of Trauma The Director of Trauma provided a written report, Miss Kate Hancorn, distributed as Document M09.	M09
11.	Report from the Moynihan Academy The President of the Moynihan Academy provided a written report, Mr Jared Wohlgemut, distributed as Document M10.	M10
PART III: SURGICAL INDEMNITY SCHEME (SIS)		
12.	Report on the SIS Ltd. a wholly owned subsidiary of the ASGBI The voluntary wind-up has concluded, and SIS Ltd officially dissolved on 7 April 2026	
PART IV: ASGBI CHARITY		
13.	Report on the ASGBI Charity; formerly The Surgical Foundation ASGBI Charity has been inactive due to historic pension matters requiring legal support. Legal advisers are in final talks and are working towards a resolution.	
PART V: ASGBI REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS		
14.	Early Career Consultant Network Lead The Early Career Consultant Network Lead provided a written report, Mr Mohamed Rabie, distributed as Document M11.	M11
15.	Medicolegal Lead The Medicolegal Lead provided a written report, Mr Gary Spence, distributed as Document M12.	M12
16.	Robotic and MIS Lead	M13

	A written report was provided by the Robotic and MIS Lead, Mr Shakil Ahmed, distributed as Document M13.																						
17.	SAS Representative The SAS Representative provided a written report, Miss Nadia Gulnaz, distributed as Document M14.	M14																					
18.	Sustainability Lead The Sustainability Lead provided a written report, Mr Anthony Chan, distributed as Document M15.	M15																					
19.	General Surgery for Childhood Lead The General Surgery for Childhood Lead provided a written report, Mr David Macafee, distributed as Document M16.	M16																					
20.	NCEPOD Representative A written report was provided by the NCEPOD Representative, Miss Anne Pullyblank, distributed as Document M17.	M17																					
21.	Representative for JCIE A written report was provided by the Representative for JCIE, Mr Kishore Pursnani, distributed as Document M18.	M18																					
22.	Chair of SAC in General Surgery A written report was provided by the Chair of SAC in General Surgery, Mr Bala Piramanayagam, distributed as Document M19.	M19																					
23.	NFAS Representative A written report was provided by the NFAS Representative, Mr Phill Pearce, distributed as Document M20.	M20																					
24.	Regional Representatives Regional Representatives provided written reports: <table border="0" data-bbox="199 1400 1244 1713"> <tr> <td>Prita Daliya</td><td>East Midlands</td><td>M21</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ileana Geogloman</td><td>East of England</td><td>M22</td></tr> <tr> <td>Pratik Roy</td><td>North West</td><td>M23</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ahmed Marzouk</td><td>Northern Ireland</td><td>M24</td></tr> <tr> <td>Umair Rashid</td><td>West Midlands</td><td>M25</td></tr> <tr> <td>Nick Evgenikos</td><td>Scotland East</td><td>M26</td></tr> <tr> <td>Susan Moug</td><td>Scotland West</td><td>M27</td></tr> </table>	Prita Daliya	East Midlands	M21	Ileana Geogloman	East of England	M22	Pratik Roy	North West	M23	Ahmed Marzouk	Northern Ireland	M24	Umair Rashid	West Midlands	M25	Nick Evgenikos	Scotland East	M26	Susan Moug	Scotland West	M27	M21-27
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25.	Moynihan Travelling Fellowship																						
	i. To note that the 2026 Moynihan Travelling Fellowship was awarded to: The 2026 Moynihan Travelling Fellowship was awarded to Mr Michael Okocha, Colorectal ST8 Registrar, Great Western Hospital, Swindon.																						
26.	Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland Prizes																						

	i. To note Association Prizes for outstanding performance at the Intercollegiate Examination in General Surgery during 2025 were awarded to: The Association Prizes for outstanding performance at the Intercollegiate Examination in General Surgery were awarded to: Mr Christopher Limb Feb-25 Mr Daniel L Hughes May-25 Mr Alexander Damian O'Connor Sep-25	
PART VI: ANY OTHER BUSINESS		
27.	Motions from the floor	
	The Full, Associate and Corresponding Fellows were invited to submit motions for inclusion on the agenda by 5:00pm on Friday 29th May 2026, and no such motions were received.	
28.	2027 International Surgical Congress	
	The next International Surgical Congress of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland will be held in Manchester from Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd May 2027.	
PART VII: IMPORTANT NOTICES		
	In accordance with the provisions in the Association's 'Memorandum and Articles of Association,' notice of the 2026 Annual General Meeting was distributed by email to Fellows of ASGBI on Tuesday 21st April 2026.	
	In accordance with Section 9 of the ASGBI 'Articles of Association', any member of the Association (i.e. Associate, Full or Corresponding Fellow) unable to attend the AGM but wishing to appoint another person as their proxy to exercise all or any of the Members' rights to attend and to speak and to vote at the AGM should apply, in writing, for a 'Proxy Notice' from the General Manager at: jillian@asgbi.org.uk , no such requests were received.	