

## The Annual General Meeting of the Friends of the British Library

Monday 27 March 2017 at 5pm at the British Library Knowledge Centre,  
96 Euston Road, London NW1 2DB

### Elections to Council

**The following is standing for election as Deputy Chairman:**

**Graham Allatt FCA.** Treasurer of the Friends of the British Library 2004–14. Chief Credit Officer, Abbey 2000–2006; Deputy Group Credit Director, Lloyds TSB 2006–11; Non-executive Director OneSavings Bank 2014–. After qualifying as a chartered accountant with PricewaterhouseCoopers, Graham has spent the last 25 years in banking. He has been either Director or Deputy Director of Credit for four of the UK's top banks. His voluntary sector activities include over 20 years acting as either Chair or Treasurer of charitable housing associations. His hobbies include baroque music and history.

**The following are standing for election as members of Council:**

**David Beech MBE.** Curator, British Library Philatelic Collections 1983–2013; Head of Philatelic Collections 1991–2013; Member of the Friends from its formation; Fellow of The Royal Philatelic Society London and its President 2003–05; awarded the Smithsonian Institution Achievement Award for outstanding lifetime accomplishments in the field of philately 2013; Council member of the British Philatelic Federation 1980–1988; former Chairman of the charity the Stuart Rossiter Trust. His publications include *New Zealand and Dependencies – A Philatelic Bibliography* (Thames, New Zealand, 2004), *The Crawford Library of Philatelic Literature at the British Library and for the World in Digital Form*, (London, 2016) and *The Printing Plate of the Mauritius 1847 "Post Office" Issue* (Geneva, 2016).

**Dr Christopher Wright OBE.** Deputy Chairman of the Friends of the British Library 2007–2017. Curator, Department of Manuscripts, British Library 1974–2003; Head of Manuscripts 2003–05; Editor of the *British Library Journal* 1989–99 and of the *Electronic British Library Journal* 2002–04; 2005–15 Member of the Acceptance In Lieu Panel; 2006–15 Member of the Reviewing Committee for the Export of Works of Art. His publications include *George III* (London, 2005) and (as co-editor) *The Victoria Cross and the George Cross. The Complete History* (London, 2013).

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## Agenda

Chairman's Opening Remarks, welcoming Friends to the AGM

Apologies for absence

Address by Baroness Blackstone, Chair of the British Library Board

Agreement of Minutes of AGM held on 14 March 2016

Chairman's Report

Financial Report

Election of Deputy Chairman and Council Members

Any other business

## Friends of the British Library Annual Lecture

6.30pm A N Wilson on 'George Forster the Revolutionary Librarian'.