

Nottinghamshire Law Society



AGM Notice 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the **Old Courtroom, Shakespeare Street, Nottingham Trent University, Nottingham** on Tuesday 12th May 2026 at 6pm.

Refreshments will be available from 5:30pm with the AGM starting promptly at 6pm. The Agenda for the AGM is set out below.

The AGM is a free event to attend by all members of the Society and whilst it deals with formal matters it is also a celebration of the previous year of the Society. Canapes and refreshments will be served after the formalities of the AGM to encourage networking amongst members of the Society and to meet Council Members and sub-committee members.

One formal matter the Council of the Society wishes to inform members about is that, with effect from 1 April 2026, there will be an increase in the Society's annual membership fees in accordance with article 27 of the Articles. As many of you may be aware, the Society has not increased membership fees since 2016. For the past ten years, we have worked hard to maintain our fee rates despite rising operational costs and the continued impact of standard inflation. We are proud to have sustained the same fee structure for such a long period; however, in order to ensure the Society remains financially resilient and able to continue delivering valued services, an adjustment has now become necessary.

From 1 April 2026, the annual subscription fees will be:

- £95.00 (0% VAT) per Partner / Director / Principal / LLP Member based on the Firm's corporate membership
- £60.00 (0% VAT) per individual Solicitor (not covered by corporate membership), Barrister and Academic Member

This represents a £10.00 increase for each category from £85.00 and £50.00 respectively.

We hope you can appreciate the reasons behind this change. The increase will support the Society's ongoing work, enable us to maintain the quality of our services, and ensure we can continue representing and supporting our members effectively. We are happy to take questions at the AGM.

We look forward to meeting many of you at the event.



Marie Dancer
President 2025-2026

AGM AGENDA

1. **Welcome & Apologies**
2. **Minutes of the last AGM, Tuesday 13th May 2025 to be approved.**
3. **To receive and adopt the Accounts of the Society.**
4. **To re-appoint the Auditors of the Society.**
5. **Nominations for Council:**
 - ❖ Deputy Vice President 2026-2027**
 - ❖ Independent Council Members **
 - ❖ Civil Bar Representative**
 - ❖ Family Bar Representative**

attendees at the AGM will take part in a secret ballot election to vote for this posts, if more than one (or 6 candidates in the case of the Independent Council Members) apply for these posts.
6. **Presentations of Prizes:**
 - ❖ President's Cup 2025
 - ❖ Kevin De Silva Essay Competition 2025
 - ❖ Hammond Cup 2026
 - ❖ John Pearce Quiz Prize Winners and Charity Donation Announcement
 - ❖ Annual Awards Dinner – Charity Donation Announcement
7. **To receive the report of the President for the last year.**
8. **Acknowledgement of Sub-Committees of the Society**
9. **Announcement of Election Results for Seats on Council (if an election was required)**
 - ❖ Deputy Vice President 2026-2027
 - ❖ Independent Council Members
 - ❖ Civil Court Bar Representative
 - ❖ Family Bar Representative
10. **To appoint the President of the Society**
11. **To appoint the Vice President of the Society**
11. **To appoint the Deputy Vice President of the Society**
12. **To re-appoint the Treasurer of the Society**
13. **To re-appoint the Secretary of the Society**
14. **To appoint the Council of the Society**
15. **Any other business relevant to the Annual General Meeting**

Re-Appointments & Nominations of Office 2026-2027

The following have been nominated for election as officers of the Society for the forthcoming year:

President:	Drew Dennis
Vice President:	Aldijana Hoad
Deputy Vice President:	Vacant seat
Treasurer:	Jeremy Allen
Secretary:	Kathryn Meir

Note 1: A secret Ballot will take place for the elected positions set out at point 9 above including for the office of Deputy Vice President, in the event that one or more additional Candidates have been nominated and seconded in accordance with the Articles of the Society. Notice will be given of the candidates standing for the position ahead of the Annual General Meeting.

Note 2: The following have been nominated to fill the Local Constituency Seats.

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| • Broxtowe | Marie Dancer | Richard Nelson LLP |
| • Mansfield | Lauren Griffith | Bryan & Armstrong |
| • Newark & Sherwood | Selina Turner | Larken & Co |

Note 3: The following have been nominated to fill the Bar Representative Seats:

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| • Bar Representative: Criminal | Andrew Fitch-Holland | 1 High Pavement Chambers |
| • Bar Representative: Family | Vacant Seat | |
| • Bar Representative: Civil | Vacant Seat | |

Note 4: The following Council Seats are vacant:

- 1. Independent Council Members – a maximum total of 6 seats available on Council.***
- 2. Bar Representative: Civil***
- 3. Bar Representative: Family***

***In the event that one or more additional Candidates (or in the case of Independent Council Members more than 6 candidates apply) a secret ballot shall be held at the AGM. Notice will be given of the candidates standing for the position ahead of the Annual General Meeting.*