

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2025

To be held in Kincaid Hall, The Settlement, Letchworth Garden City SG6 4UB
on Monday 6 October 2025 at 10.30am

Please join us for tea or coffee and the AGM business before our guest speaker, **Graham Pointon**, talks to us about the Origins of Writing. Graham was one of the first dozen or so undergraduates to gain a first degree in Linguistics in this country, graduating from Edinburgh with an Honours MA. After lecturing in English at Trondheim University in Norway for six years, he was appointed the BBC's Pronunciation Adviser, and stayed for 23 years until retiring at the end of 2001. He has since co-authored three books on English usage and written several articles on aspects of language.

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Approval of minutes of the AGM on 21 October 2024
4. Matters arising not covered under other agenda items
5. Chair's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Formal approval of accounts for the year ended 31 July 2025
8. Membership Secretary's Report
9. Election of Committee members (including members retiring by rotation and offering themselves for re-election and members co-opted by the Committee during the year and offering themselves for election)
10. Proposed addition to the LALG Constitution under 2. Object :
LALG may also promote the formation of Community Benefit Initiatives open to both its members and non-members where the purpose of the Initiative is to confer a benefit upon the wider community as a whole. Community Benefit Initiatives shall be run by LALG members. Individuals who wish to join the Initiative in order to contribute to the community but do not wish to join LALG, may join Community Benefit Initiatives as non LALG members.
11. Any Other Business: please advise the Chair (contact details below) in writing of any matter you would like to raise by 29 September 2025
12. Date of 2026 AGM: to be confirmed

The agenda, and the minutes of the last AGM, are:

- On the LALG website www.lalg.org.uk/AGM2025
- Available from the Chair – contact details below.

The accounts for the year ended 31 July 2025, and any other documentation, will also be on the LALG website or available from the Chair before the Annual General Meeting.

Election of Committee Members

At the time of issue there are three vacancies for Committee Members.

If you would like to stand for election to the Committee, please complete and return the nomination form by **29 September 2025**. Nominations received after this date may not be considered. Please note that to stand for election to the Committee you must be a Member of LALG, as must your proposer and seconder. Your proposer and seconder should not be a member of your household, and should each be from separate households.

Please return the completed form to the LALG Chair, Jackie Harber, c/o David's Bookshop, 14 Eastcheap, Letchworth Garden City SG6 3DE or by email to chair@lalg.org.uk.