



**ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNCIL  
and  
NOTICE OF MEETING**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**The 224th Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held on Wednesday  
25 March 2026 at 7.30pm in the Sir Charles Wilson Building, University of  
Glasgow**

The agenda will be as undernoted:

1. Minutes of 223rd Annual General Meeting of the Society (Hon Sec)
2. President's Review of the Year
3. Honorary Treasurer's Report
  - (i) Approval of accounts for year to 31st July 2025
  - (ii) Appointment of independent examiner (see page 17)
4. Amendment to the Constitution (see page17)
5. Election/re-election of Council members (see page 17)
6. Approval of Council nominated Office Bearers (see page 18)
7. Any other competent business

On behalf of the Council,

Tony Burton OBE  
Hon Secretary

## **Minutes of the AGM of 19 March 2025 in the Sir Charles Wilson Building, University of Glasgow at 19.30.**

The President opened the AGM saying that members had received the AGM booklet, and that members were notified in advance to submit any questions for the AGM. There were no questions submitted.

The minutes of the last AGM were available in the AGM booklet. There were no questions in connection with the minutes, and no corrections.

The president referred to her review of the year as included in the booklet, saying that it has been a very successful and engaging year, with a great group of speakers. Images of the speakers are on the back of the AGM booklet.

The treasurer presented the accounts for the year to 31st July, 2024 which were published on the Society's website and included in the AGM booklet. The accounts were approved by the Council, independently examined, and submitted to the charity regulator, OSCR. He briefly commented on the accounts, noting that the lecturers' expenses were lower than normal. Secondly there was the one-off expense this year for the revamp of the website. The site was much improved and is both a way of communicating to the members and a shop window for the Society, and is regarded as a very important aspect of the Society. Thirdly, the Society has recommenced its sponsorship of two young apprentice awards, a system that is operated by the Trades House of Glasgow. The two awards that the Society sponsor are related to community engagement and overcoming difficulties.

The year saw a surplus of £12,000 with the rising stock market more than reversing the falls in value of the society's investments over the previous two years. The Society's main asset is its holding in a unit trust, Charifund, which itself is a charity.

There was a question from a member regarding the room hire and the decrease in the independent examiner fee. Richard replied that the hall rent refers to the extra expenses. The Charles Wilson building was provided rent free, but there are the add-on costs, such as A/V support and refreshments. Richard said that there had been an overprovision in the year for the independent examiners' fees so the debit in this year is benefiting by a credit from a release of an overprovision.

Three motions were put to the AGM, all of which were carried.

- Independent examiner. Council recommends the Hansen Company, Scotland, be reappointed as independent examiners for the society's accounts.
- Election of Council members. Council nominated the following members for a term of three years Graham Watt, Adrian Bowman, Campbell Forrest, Colin Miller, Richard Service and Aileen Walker.
- Approval of Council nominations for office bearers. Council nominates the following. Honorary Secretary: Tony Burton, President: Pat Monaghan. Honorary Treasurer: Richard Service.

There were two items of any other business.

The retirement of the administrator, George Rawlinson, was noted with the awarding of a lifetime honorary membership of the Society, and with the presentation of a Society medal engraved in recognition of his service.

Secondly, a presentation to Adam, the AV technician, who had done a wonderful job improving the sound quality at lectures.



President Pat Monaghan presenting a medal and paperweight to Professor Murray Pittock

# REPORT BY THE COUNCIL

## 223rd Session

### 2024 -2025

#### Office-Bearers:

President: Professor Pat Monaghan

Hon Secretary: Mr Tony Burton OBE

Hon Treasurer: Mr Richard Service

Members of Council:

Dr Geraint Bevan

Mr Campbell Forrest

Dr Colin Miller

Ms Shiona Waldron

Prof Graham Watt

Prof Adrian Bowman

Prof Felicity Huntingford

Ms Maggie Reilly

Ms Aileen Walker



## President's Report 2025/26

I am pleased to report that the 224th session of the Royal Philosophical Society of Glasgow has again been a very successful one, thanks to the fantastic support from the membership, our speakers and the Society's Council. The appetite of members and guests for attending the live lectures, whatever the weather, being exposed to and discussing new knowledge and ideas in all kinds of subjects, is impressive, encouraging and uplifting. In a time when experts are dismissed by some and reliable information can be hard to obtain, our Society has an increasingly important role to play. We are very grateful to the University of Glasgow for supporting us in doing this.

Our twelve lecturers of the session covered a great diversity of topics – how stem cells can treat heart problems; the thorny issue of economic growth; magnetism in the brain; how we experience our bodies, including bits that are missing (!); how Putin changed from his early days to what he is now; the alarming declines in life expectancy following government austerity policies; what future fossils our era will leave behind – a lot of plastic and chicken bones; how Scotland exported merchants and pirates and had a global influence; what next for Greenland; the Houthis and the Red Sea conflict; how the Oxford dictionary came to be; and what healthy ageing really means. We are extremely grateful to all our speakers for the time and effort they put in to speaking to the Society. Speakers are always impressed by the size and enthusiasm of the audience.

Our annual members' trip took place in May 2025. We visit the Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society, founded in 1781, 21 years before the RPSG. En route we had an exciting foray down the lead mine at Wanlockhead, and were later joined at Manchester's Didsbury House Hotel by six guests from the Manchester Society for dinner and a talk from Andrew Simock about the founding of the society that later became the RSPB. During the trip we: visited the sixteenth century Lyme Park house and grounds; had a tour and a lecture on cosmology at Jodrell Bank; had a special tour of the Whitworth Art Gallery plus a talk about the Whitworth's industrial design archive and links to the industrial history of Manchester; visited the impressive Manchester City Library, with a talk and discussion about the thinking behind Manchester's increasingly high-rise cityscape from the Head of Regeneration at Manchester City Council; had a walking tour of Manchester; visited the 220 year old historic pub The Britons Protection; had dinner with members of the Manchester Lit and Phil and attended their Society talk on Engels in Manchester; visited Salford Quay and heard about the building of the Manchester Ship canal and how Manchester United (in case you don't know, this is a football team...) came to be located at Old Trafford; and visited the Lowry Gallery. On the way back, we squeezed in a visit to Carlise Castle and the tower where Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned for a time. Thanks to our Secretary Tony Burton and all the others involved in making this so enjoyable and informative. In autumn 2025, we had an excellent members' soiree at the National Library of Scotland's moving image and sound archive at Kelvin Hall.

I thank the RSPG Council for supporting all aspects of the running of the Society, the University of Glasgow for providing us with our venue, the University's audiovisual and facilities services (in particular Adam Nowarah and Paul Peter) and the catering staff for their support. Thanks also to the Society Treasurer Richard Service for stewarding our funds and Croy Thomson for his entertaining and insightful reviews of our lectures. We changed our administrator twice this year, initially Nick Bibby and now Leon Fort, so thanks to both. We are currently planning the 2026-27 programme, which is shaping up to be as eclectic, exciting and topical as this session's has been.

THE ROYAL PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY OF GLASGOW  
(A Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

SCOTTISH CHARITY NUMBER - SC015557

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR  
THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees present their report and financial statements of the Society for the year ended 31 July 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 13 and 14 and comply with the Society's constitution.

### OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Society, founded in 1802, retains its core aims which are to aid the study, diffusion, advancement and development of the arts and sciences with their applications, and the better understanding of public affairs.

Its principal activity is the holding of public lectures for members and guests, between October and March.

### OPERATING REVIEW

Again for the 2024-5 session, the Society's lectures were held in the Sir Charles Wilson lecture theatre at the University of Glasgow. The Society is grateful to the University for making this facility available. Membership reduced slightly and as at the year end stood at 843 (2024: 880).

Members who are unable to attend a lecture continue to be able to join lectures via Zoom.

The members visits to other similar societies across the UK continue to be popular and well received and they are again being organised for the upcoming season. These events are organised in-house.

Our income levels are satisfactory and adequate to fund our activities.

Mr George Rawlinson ceased providing administrative services to the Society during the year. The Society is grateful for his assistance over many years and awarded him honorary life membership of the Society. The Society has engaged a new administrator.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Society had an overall surplus of £25,557 (2024: £40,042). Operating income less expenditure produced a surplus of £15,213 (2024: £12,197) and there was an unrealised gain on investment of £10,344 (2024: £27,845).

Subscription income was £21,767 (2024: £22,189) and non-members' donations were £1,327 (2024: £1,041).

The members' events generated a surplus of £3,747 (2024: £1,612).

There was a small increase in investment income.

The Society continued its sponsorship support of the Trades House Young apprentice award.

As at 31 July 2025 the market value of the investments held by the Society was £345,287 (2024:£323,016).

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

### INVESTMENT POLICY

Funds sufficient to meet all the Society's anticipated current expenditure are placed with the Society's bankers. Investment income arises on its holding in M & G's Charifund, some of which are accumulation units.

### RESERVES POLICY

The general policy of the Trustees is to maintain a broadly neutral position from year to year.

### BANKERS

Bank of Scotland, Argyle Street, Glasgow G1 3RS

### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

SCIO number	CS000012
Charity Number	SC15557
Principal Address	Colabor8te, 22 Montrose Street, Glasgow G1 1RE
Website	<a href="http://www.royalphil.org">www.royalphil.org</a>

The Trustees serving during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows: -

	Pat Monaghan	<i>President</i>
	Tony Burton	<i>Honorary Secretary</i>
	Richard Service	<i>Honorary Treasurer</i>
	Geraint Bevan	
	Adrian Bowman	
Resigned 20 November 2025	Liz Davidson	
Retired 19 March 2025	Leonard Esakowitz	
	Campbell Forrest	
	Felicity Huntingford	
	Colin Miller	
	Maggie Reilly	
	Shiona Waldron	
Elected 19 March 2025	Aileen Walker	
	Graham Watt	

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)**

### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT**

From foundation in 1802 the Society operated as an unincorporated association. In 1879 it incorporated as a company limited by guarantee. It converted to a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation in 2012.

The Society is included in the register of charities maintained by the Scottish Charity Regulator.

### **Appointment of Trustees**

In accordance with the constitution of the Society, an Annual General Meeting is held where the trustees are elected by the Society's members as defined by the constitution. Trustees can be co-opted on to the Council of the Society during the year but must stand for election at the next Annual General Meeting.

### **Organisation**

The overall control of the affairs of the Society rests with the Members as expressed through Annual or Extraordinary Meetings.

Subject to that control, the direction and management of the Society rests with the Council, all the members of which shall be the Trustees. The Council of the Society comprises not more than thirteen Ordinary (elected) Members of Council, and not more than three additional members as may be co-opted under rule III.10. Vacancies arising during the session may be filled by resolution of Council, any such appointment being notified to the membership at the first convenient opportunity.

Only members of the Society are eligible for membership of the Council.

The Council normally meets at least six times during each session. Only elected members have the right to vote at Council meetings.

Seven Council members shall constitute a quorum for a Council meeting.

The Council organises the Society's programme of lectures, discussions and any other activities it deems fit in accordance with the Society's objectives.

### **Remuneration**

All trustees gave of their time freely; no trustee received remuneration in the year.

Expense reimbursements were paid to Trustees in respect of expenditure incurred by them as agent of the Society.

More detail is provided in note 2 to the financial statements.

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

Ann G Hansen of The Hansen Company Scotland Ltd acts as Independent Examiner and her report is on Page 10.

A resolution proposing her re-appointment will be put to members at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

## **STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Trustees are required to prepare accounts for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Society as at the end of that financial period and of the income and expenditure of the Society for that period.

In preparing these accounts, the Trustees are required to :-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are in their opinion reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless, in its view, based on the information then available to them, that basis of preparation would be inappropriate.

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities and Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply.

The Trustees are also responsible for taking reasonable steps both to safeguard the assets of the Society and to prevent fraud and detect fraud and other irregularities.

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL

Tony Burton OBE  
Honorary Secretary

GLASGOW: 27 February 2026

# **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE ROYAL PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY OF GLASGOW FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 July 2025 which are set out on pages 11 to 16.

## **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under Section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations

2006 (as amended). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Trustees and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

## **Independent examiner's statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:  
to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and  
to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Ann G Hansen  
THE HANSEN COMPANY SCOTLAND LTD  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS  
The Old Forge, 28 Field Road, Glasgow G76 8SE  
27 February 2026

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT AND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
<b>INCOME</b>			
Subscriptions		21,767	22,189
Donations		1,327	1,041
Income tax recovered		5,167	5,488
Members' events		21,860	24,268
Investment income	6	18,390	16,518
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<u>68,511</u>	<u>69,504</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Charitable Activities	3	12,667	17,475
Members' events		18,113	22,657
Support Costs	4	22,518	17,175
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>53,298</u>	<u>57,307</u>
Operating surplus		15,213	12,197
Unrealised gain on investment	6	10,344	27,845
<b>NET SURPLUS</b>		<u>25,557</u>	<u>40,042</u>

**STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES**

Funds brought forward	361,090	321,048
Net surplus recognised in year	25,557	40,042
Funds carried forward	<u>386,647</u>	<u>361,090</u>

**The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.**

**All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities**

The notes on pages 13 to 16 form part of these financial statements

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	5	2,690	2,690
Investment	6	<u>345,287</u>	<u>323,016</u>
		<u>347,977</u>	<u>325,706</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Bank		37,766	37,223
Debtors & prepayments		<u>2,113</u>	<u>2,279</u>
		39,879	39,502
<b>CREDITORS</b> : Amounts falling due within 1 year			
Creditors & accrued charges		1,209	4,118
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>38,670</u>	<u>35,384</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>386,647</u>	<u>361,090</u>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>			
Unrestricted Funds		<u>386,647</u>	<u>361,090</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 27 February 2026 and are signed on their behalf by:

Pat Monaghan  
President

Richard Service  
Treasurer

The notes on pages 13 to 16 form part of these financial statements

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Society, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) (second edition - October 2019 "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)", Financial Reporting Standard 102, and the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

#### **Investment assets and income**

Investments are initially recognised at cost then subsequently at fair value, being the quoted market value. Realised gains and losses (representing the difference between sale proceeds and fair value at the previous financial year end or purchase cost if acquired during the financial year) and unrealised gains and losses (representing the movement in the fair value of investments over the financial year or from their date of purchase if acquired during the financial year) are recognised within income and expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Dividends and interest income are included as investment income when the Trust has entitlement to the funds.

#### **Income Recognition**

Income is recognised when the Society has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donations are recognised when the Society has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date.

#### **Expenditure Recognition**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

**Irrecoverable VAT**

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

**Tangible Fixed Assets**

Depreciation of fixtures, fittings and equipment is provided at a rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

**Debtors**

Debtors and prepayments are recognised at the settlement amount due.

**Creditors**

Creditors are recognised where the Society has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in a transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount.

**Financial instruments**

The Society's financial assets and financial liabilities are of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

### **2. TRUSTEE AND STAFF REMUNERATION**

None of the Trustees were paid any remuneration by the Society or received any benefits from the Society during the year, nor in the prior year. During the year one Trustee received reimbursement of expenses incurred on Society business amounting to £491.

The Society had no employees during the year or the prior year.

The Society considers that its key management personnel comprise the Trustees.

### **3. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cost of lecture venue, refreshments and hospitality	6,205	5,450
Lecturers' expenses	2,379	1,718
Web site costs & zoom	631	6,943
Printing & stationery	1,858	1,833
Postages	594	531
Grants & donations	1,000	1,000
	<u>12,667</u>	<u>17,475</u>

### **4. SUPPORT COSTS**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Administration services	21,082	16,000
Direct debit charges	293	317
Insurance	363	319
Recruitment fee	240	0
Independent Examiner's fee	540	540
	<u>22,518</u>	<u>17,175</u>

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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

## 5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	President's insignia £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost at 1 August 2024	2,690	1,566	4,256
Additions	0		0
Cost at 31 July 2025	<u>2,690</u>	<u>1,566</u>	<u>4,256</u>
Depreciation at 1 August 2024	0	1,566	1,566
Depreciation Charge for Year	0		0
Depreciation at 31 July 2025	<u>0</u>	<u>1,566</u>	<u>1,566</u>
Net Book Value at 31 July 2025	<u>2,690</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,690</u>
Net Book Value at 31 July 2024	<u>2,690</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,690</u>

The President's Insignia - Jenny Johnston Memorial and gold chain - is stated at cost.

Equipment is stated at written down value.

The Assets of the Society include a bronze bust of Lord Kelvin - held in the custodianship of the Hunterian Museum at the University of Glasgow, the President's chair - held in the custodianship of the University of Strathclyde, a bust of Thomas Graham - held in the custodianship of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, audio equipment used at the Society's meetings, and the insignia of office of the President. The archives of the Society are held in the library of the University of Glasgow.

## 6. INVESTMENT

	2025 £	2024 £
Cost	<u>45,273</u>	<u>45,273</u>
Market Value		
Opening market value	323,016	284,392
Income on accumulation units reinvested	11,927	10,779
Gain on revaluation	<u>10,344</u>	<u>27,845</u>
Closing market value	<u>345,287</u>	<u>323,016</u>
Distributions arising on units	17,965	16,518
Interest on bank account	425	0
Investment income	<u>18,390</u>	<u>16,518</u>

The investment is a holding of units in The Equity Investment Fund for Charities (known as the M&G Charifund). This is an authorised unit trust and a registered charity, Charity Commission for England and Wales number 249958.

### **Agenda Item 3(ii): Appointment of independent examiner**

Council recommends the appointment of Ann G Hansen of The Hansen Company Scotland Ltd as independent examiner of the Society's accounts.

### **Agenda Item 4: Amendment to the Constitution**

Amendment to Constitution -

In accordance with Paragraph I.11 of the Society's Constitution, Council propose THAT the Constitution of the Society be amended by adding at the beginning of paragraph III.6 the words: "Except as provided in III.6A," and by inserting as a new paragraph immediately after paragraph III.6: "6A. A retiring member of Council who is an Office Bearer and has been re-elected on two occasions shall be eligible for re-election on a third occasion."

Note: This change will permit Office Bearers who otherwise would have to stand down to continue on Council. This change is proposed to ensure there are the required office holders and permit continuity.

### **Agenda Item 5: Election of Council members:**

Council nominate the following for election/re-election to Council:

#### **Carole Cunninghame**

Bio: Born and educated in Glasgow, Carole graduated in law at Glasgow University and qualified as a solicitor in the early 1980's. Throughout her, near four decade, continuous legal career she worked in a number of areas of law. She was a Procurator Fiscal Depute, a Reporter to the Childrens' Panel, a solicitor and partner in Private Practice. In the last 15 years of her career she was a Sheriff, presiding over matters in courts throughout Scotland. Carole retired in 2019. She has been a member of the Royal Philosophical Society of Glasgow for many years.

## **Stefan Kuhr**

Bio: Professor Stefan Kuhr was born and educated in Germany, where he began his career in experimental quantum physics at the University of Bonn. He then worked at the École Normale Supérieure in Paris and later at the Max Planck Institute for Quantum Optics in Garching. He is now Head of the Department of Physics at the University of Strathclyde. His research focuses on developing ways to observe and manipulate ultracold atoms for quantum simulation, providing new ways to understand how complex quantum systems behave.

## **Felicity Huntingford**

Short biographies of all current members of Council can be found on our website at:

<https://www.royalphil.org/about-us/council-members/>

Geraint Bevan and Colin Miller are to retire from Council.

## **Agenda Item 6: Approval of Council nominations for Office Bearers**

Council nominates the following Office Bearers:

Hon. Secretary: Tony Burton

President: Pat Monaghan

Hon. Treasurer Richard Service

Note. The following members of Council continue in office

Mr Adrian Bowman

Mr Campbell Forrest

Ms Maggie Reilly

Ms Shiona Waldron

Prof Graham Watt

Ms Aileen Walker

