

THE JAPAN SOCIETY

2026

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Notice of the 2026 Annual General Meeting
at the Embassy of Japan, London on Thursday 23 July
THE JAPAN SOCIETY (THE “COMPANY”)



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held on 23 July 2026 at 6.00pm at the Embassy of Japan, 101-104 Piccadilly, London W1J 7J. The business of the meeting shall be to (i) record thanks to Sponsors and Benefactors; and (ii) consider, and if thought fit, pass the following ordinary resolutions::

Ordinary Resolutions

1. To receive and adopt the audited annual accounts of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and the Trustees' Report.
2. To reappoint Richard Place Dobson as auditors and to authorise the Board to approve their remuneration as thought fit.
3. To appoint Teruko Kyuden as Ordinary Trustee with effect from the close of the Annual General Meeting.
4. To appoint Jasmin Lau as Ordinary Trustee with effect from the close of the Annual General Meeting.
5. To appoint Joachim Stobbs as Ordinary Trustee with effect from the close of the Annual General Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD



M J RIVERA KING
Chief Executive

NOTES

1. The full accounts may be seen on [The Japan Society website](http://www.japansociety.org.uk) (www.japansociety.org.uk) or may be requested in hard copy from the registered office.
2. A list of candidates for appointment to the vacancies as Ordinary Trustees, together with biographical details of the candidates, is also enclosed.
3. Corporate members of the Company may authorise a representative to attend the meeting on its behalf in any manner which is permitted by that corporate member.
4. A member of the Company is entitled to appoint, in line with section 324 of the Companies Act 2006 (Rights to appoint proxies), a proxy to exercise all or any of his or her rights to attend, speak and vote at the meeting. A form of proxy is enclosed with this notice. The proxy must be a member of the Company.
5. To be effective, the instrument appointing a proxy and any authority under which it is executed (or a certified copy of such authority) must be deposited (by post or email) not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude members from attending and voting in person at the meeting. If you have appointed a proxy and attend the meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated.
6. To comply with security policy at the Embassy of Japan, members are asked to notify the Society in advance of their intention to attend the AGM. Please bring a copy of your booking confirmation, together with some form of photographic ID with you to the meeting. Without such ID admission may be refused.

Dated: 07 July 2026

Registered office: 13/14 Cornwall Terrace, London NW1 4QP

Appendix One

Appointment of Trustees

The Board of the Company currently consists of a Chair, a Vice-Chair, the Minister Plenipotentiary at the Embassy of Japan and the Minister in Charge of Public Diplomacy the Japanese Embassy (both having the status of observer) and thirteen Ordinary Trustees together with four officer roles, with the Treasurer sitting as a Trustee and the Solicitor and both Editors sitting as observers.

As set out in the current Articles of Association, the total number of Trustees on the Board should be no more than fifteen, and there should be no fewer than four Ordinary Trustees.

Ordinary Trustees are required to retire at the third anniversary of their appointment unless they are reappointed at a general meeting. No Ordinary Trustee, except for the Honorary Treasurer, may serve for longer than six consecutive years as a member of the Board.

The Board has appointed a Trustees’ nominations committee currently comprising of Greg Clark, Yoko Dochi, Helen Macnaughtan and Akiko Yano. This committee reviews the skills that are required on the Board from time to time and the succession policy; and it makes recommendations to the Board on possible future appointments.

One Ordinary Trustee, Yasuko Fukuda (nee Hataya) stepped down from the board in March 2026, having been posted back to her company’s head office in Japan. Two Ordinary Trustees, Clare Weaver and Rie Yoshitake, are due to retire at the meeting, having served six-year terms. The Board notes their valued contributions and thanks them for their time of service as trustees.

There are three people standing for appointment to the Board as Ordinary Trustees: Teruko Kyuden. SVP of VC Investment and a Research Analyst at Caygan Capital, Jasmin Lau, National Chair at JETAA-UK (JET Alumni Association of the United Kingdom); and Joachim Stobbs, EY UKI Japan Business Services Leader, Asia East UKI Trade Route Leader, International Tax & Transaction Services Partner at EY. The Board proposes their appointment. Biographical details of all three Ordinary Trustee candidates are set out in this Appendix.

Overall, there are three candidates for appointment. Members are therefore asked at the AGM to cast their votes “For” or “Against” each candidate. Members may also select the “vote withheld” option if they do not wish to vote for or against any particular candidate, although a vote withheld in this way is not a “vote” by law and will not be counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes “For” and “Against” a candidate.

We are always looking for new people to be involved with The Japan Society in different capacities, including as committee members and as Trustees and are delighted that so many people are willing to volunteer their skills to the Society. We encourage members to let us know at any time during the year if they would like to be more involved. Suggestions of names of people to be considered for committees or for the Board should be made to any member of the nominations committee or indeed any member of the Board.

Members may vote, as normal, in person at the AGM on 23 July 2026 or by proxy. A proxy form is enclosed in this booklet for this purpose.

Biographical Details of the Candidates for Chairman and Ordinary Trustees 2026

TERUKO KYUDEN

Teruko Kyuden is the SVP of VC Investment and a Research Analyst at Caygan Capital, a London/Singapore/Japan-based multi-strategy asset management firm serving institutional investors globally. She is responsible for global company fundamentals research and leads venture capital investments, with a particular focus on long-term investing in innovative technology companies addressing societal challenges, including labour shortages and climate change.

With 25 years of experience in investment banking and asset management across Japan, Singapore and the UK, Ms Kyuden has developed extensive expertise in corporate finance and investment analysis. Her experience spans both public and private markets and a broad range of asset classes, including fixed income, equities, convertible bonds, carbon credits and commodities.

Ms Kyuden began her career in investment banking, holding corporate finance roles at Merrill Lynch and Goldman Sachs for 13 years in Japan. During this period, she advised government and public-sector clients on capital raising and strategic financial transactions before transitioning into investment management.

She joined Caygan Capital in Singapore in 2014 as a company fundamentals research analyst and relocated to the UK in 2015. Since then, she has expanded her responsibilities to include venture capital investments while broadening her research coverage across various asset classes. In her current role, she supports social-impact startups as a board observer, in addition to evaluates investment opportunities worldwide.

Having lived and worked across Japan, Singapore and the UK, Ms Kyuden brings an international perspective and is passionate about strengthening ties between Japan and the United Kingdom through business, innovation and cultural exchange.

Ms Kyuden holds an MBA from London Business School and a bachelor’s degree in Economics from the University of Tokyo.

JASMIN LAU

Jasmin Lau began her Japan journey in 2013, embarking on the JET Programme for 3 years in Shizuoka-ken as an Assistant Language Teacher.

As London Chair at JET alumni association, her leadership has driven meaningful growth and strengthened the community upon JET participants’ return from Japan. Building on that success, her transition to National JETAA Chair allowed her to scale that impact across multiple chapters. Her tenure has been defined by a commitment to community building, ensuring that grassroots UK-Japan relations remain strong. Highlights include meeting the emperor (representing the thousands of JET participants that have facilitated cultural exchange), spearheading a mentorship programme, and creating a spotlight series of alumni.

Additionally, her role as senior customer account manager at a tech firm has Jaz working with clients from all over the globe, often working with Japanese & APAC teams. She headed up the Asian and Pacific Islander employee resource group for two years, ensuring that minority voices are heard, represented and accounted for.

JOACHIM STOBBS

Joachim (Jo) Stobbs has spent the past 25 years specialising in providing international tax and transaction advisory services to Japanese and international MNCs, including controversy support. He has been a partner in EY for over 10 years, in both Tokyo and London and is currently the UK & Ireland Leader of the Japan Business Services team across all service lines and Leader of the UKI-Asia East Trade Route which includes Japan.

Jo is Global Tax Account Leader on some of the largest Technology, Media and Telecoms Japanese groups for EY, and was previously the tax leader of the TMT Sector team in Japan. He has worked with many of the largest Japanese groups on acquisition and integration of UK businesses. From 2008-2011 he worked as the UK Desk in Tokyo and he was EY Japan ITS Partner from 2015-2020.

Jo is ATT and CTA qualified (Association of Taxation Technicians and Chartered Tax Advisor). He has a master’s degree from the University of Edinburgh and was also a JET in Kyoto for three years. He is a regular speaker at UK and Japan related tax events and has contributed to several articles in this area.

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PROXY FORM for the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2026

I/We, being a member of The Japan Society, hereby appoint the Chair of the meeting (see note 3) /as my/our proxy to vote for me/us at the Annual General Meeting of The Japan Society to be held on Thursday 23 July 2026 and at every adjournment thereof.

Name (please print)

Category of membership ☐ Individual ☐ Family ☐ Corporate

Name of corporate member (if applicable)

Signature

Dated 2026

Instructions to Proxy

Please indicate with an “X” in the boxes below and overleaf how you wish the proxy to vote. The Proxy will vote or withhold their vote, at his or her discretion, on (a) any resolution listed below if no instruction is given regarding that resolution and (b) on any other business transacted at the meeting.

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Notes

1. A member of The Japan Society is entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of his or her rights to attend, speak and vote at a general meeting of The Japan Society.
2. Appointment of a proxy does not preclude you from attending the meeting and voting in person. If you have appointed a proxy and attend the meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated
3. If you wish, you may delete the words "the Chair of the meeting" and insert the name of a proxy of your choice. The proxy must be a member of The Japan Society or, in the case of a member which is a corporation, its authorised representative. Please initial any alteration. A proxy must attend the meeting to represent you.
4. The completed and signed proxy form (and, if relevant, the power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed, or a certified copy of that power or authority) must be received at 13/14 Cornwall Terrace, London NW1 4QP or by email to michael@japansociety.org.uk not less than 48 hours before the meeting or the adjourned meeting.
5. To direct your proxy how to vote on the resolutions mark the appropriate box with an 'X'. If no voting indication is given, your proxy will vote or withhold their vote at his or her discretion. Your proxy will vote (or withhold a vote) as he or she thinks fit in relation to any other matter which is put before the meeting.
6. The vote withheld option is provided to enable you to instruct the proxy not to vote on any particular resolution. However, it should be noted that a vote withheld in this way is not a "vote" by law and will not be counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes "For" and "Against" a resolution.
7. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which this proxy form is signed (or a duly certified copy of such power of authority) must be included with the proxy form.
8. If you submit more than one valid proxy appointment, the appointment received last before the latest time for the receipt of proxies will take precedence.

Please return this form to the following address:

The Japan Society, 13/14 Cornwall Terrace, London, NW1 4QP

Or by email to michael@japansociety.org.uk