

# NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF

## BRITISH EQUITY COLLECTING SOCIETY LIMITED

("the Company") to be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019



The Directors of British Equity Collecting Society Limited have requisitioned the holding of an Annual General Meeting in accordance with Article 32 of the Articles of Association of the Company.

**Notice is hereby given** that the Annual General Meeting of British Equity Collecting Society Ltd will be held:

On: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019

In: etc venues Conference Centre, 51-53 Hatton Garden, London EC1N 8HN

From: 13:30 hours

when the following business will be transacted: -

### ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive and approve the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on Friday 7th December 2018.
2. To receive a report from the Chief Executive on the activities of the Company.
3. To receive and consider the Directors' Report and the Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 30th April 2019 and the Auditor's Report thereon.
4. To consider and, if thought fit, pass a resolution that the auditors of the Company, BDO LLP, be reappointed as auditors of the Company to hold office from the conclusion of the meeting until the Annual Report and Financial Statements are next laid before the Members, and that their remuneration be determined by the Directors.
5. To receive and consider the Annual Transparency Report for the Members prepared and presented by the non-executive Directors of the Company following audit in respect of the year ended 30 April 2019.

### SPECIAL BUSINESS – Section A

6. To consider and, if thought fit, pass a special resolution that the Articles of Association of the Company (the 2017 Articles) be replaced by Articles of Association of the Company in the form published with this Notice (the 2019 Articles) with immediate effect of the special resolution being passed and that the Company Secretary send to the registrar at Companies House a copy of the 2019 Articles within 15 days of the special resolution being passed.

7. To pass a special resolution that the revised Performer Registration Form and Membership Agreement considered and approved by the Supervisory Committee on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and published for all Members on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019 be adopted in the form published with this Notice.
8. To pass a special resolution that the revised Performer Heir Registration Form and Membership Agreement considered and approved by the Supervisory Committee on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and published for all Members on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019 be adopted in the form published with this Notice.
9. To pass a special resolution to approve the following motion:  
This Annual General Meeting of BECS agrees that the settlement monies of £101,861.30 received from Equity in relation to outstanding fees due to BECS will not be treated as “BECS income”. Instead the monies will be treated as collective receipts following a legal settlement, for distribution to overseas performers in accordance with approved distribution rules.  
This meeting agrees that overseas performers who are members of Collective Management Organisations with which BECS has bilateral agreements in place, whose rights BECS seeks to represent within the UK, will be beneficiaries of this temporary distribution policy.

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED**

10. To ratify the election of the nominated Director to the Board of Management pursuant to Article 15.4 of the Articles. (Equity)
11. To ratify the election of the nominated Director to the Board of Management pursuant to Article 15.6 of the Articles. (CPMA)
12. To ratify the election of the nominated Director to the Board of Management pursuant to Article 15.7 of the Articles. (PMA)

#### **SPECIAL BUSINESS – Section B**

13. To pass a special resolution that the non-executive Directors of the Company shall provide the supervisory function for continuously monitoring the activities and the performance of the duties of the persons who manage the business of the Company as provided by the Articles of the Company.

By Order of the Board  
11<sup>th</sup> November 2019

From the date of publication of this Notice, copies of:

- the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018,
- the Directors' Report and Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 30 April 2019,
- the 2019 Articles,
- the Annual Transparency Report for the year ended 30 April 2019 and
- Proxy Forms relevant to the Meeting

are available:

- (i) for inspection at the registered office of the Company (Plouviez House, 19-20 Hatton Place, London EC1N 8RU) during normal business hours on any weekdays (Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted); or
- (ii) by Members emailing [cs@becs.org.uk](mailto:cs@becs.org.uk) with a request for a copy to be emailed to the email address of the Member previously notified to the Company; or
- (iii) by Members downloading the documents from [www.becs.org.uk](http://www.becs.org.uk).

**A Member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy and, in a poll, to vote in his stead.** A proxy may demand, or join in demanding, a poll. A proxy need not be a Member of the Company. Proxy forms may be obtained for completion by downloading the form from the AGM section of the Reports and Statements page of the Company website [www.becs.org.uk](http://www.becs.org.uk).

Further copies can be obtained by calling 0203 946 7800 or by emailing [cs@becs.org.uk](mailto:cs@becs.org.uk).

To be effective, proxy forms must be completed, signed and returned as set out in the form by no later than **10am on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019.**

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