



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR YEAR 2025

On Tuesday, 26th of February 2026
At 6:00 pm

at
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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2026

Members are hereby advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Anglo Chilean Society
for the year 2026 will be on
Thursday, 26th February 2026, at 6:00 pm.

AGENDA

1. Chairman's opening remarks
2. Apologies for absence
3. Chairman's review of the year
4. To approve the minutes of the last AGM (Page 3).
5. To adopt the Annual Report & Accounts of the Society for the year ended
31st December 2025
6. To re-elect members of the Executive Committee
7. To elect new members of the Executive Committee
8. To elect the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and Treasurer from among members of the
Executive Committee elected for the year to the AGM in 2026
9. To appoint the Independent Examiner
10. Any other business

MINUTES OF THE AGM FOR 2024 OF THE ANGLO CHILEAN SOCIETY
HELD AT THE EMBASSY OF CHILE ON 11TH OF MARCH 2025

Present: Fiona Clouder, Ximena Fuentes, Claudio Duran, Alasdair Grant, Robert Hart, Catalina Herrera, Monica Volpin, Magdalena Jones, Robin Holland Martin, Claudia Iglesias, Fabiana Jaramillo, Donald Grant, Colin Taylor, Aptar Sandhi-Taylor, Michael Elmer, Hallam Murray, Andrew Robshaw, Michael Volpin, Brian Jones, Joan Shenton, Julian Amey, Patrick Jeffery, Francesca Bridgewater, Juan Andrade.

Apologies: Peter West, Nicola Strang, Nigel Strang, Sally Bishop, Eduardo Olate, Dacre Watson, Richard Evans.

Welcome by the Chairman:

The Chairman, Fiona Clouder, opened the meeting by thanking the members present for attending. She asked the Treasurer, in the absence of the Secretary, to read out the names of members apologizing for non-attendance. She also introduced Colin Taylor who, after the formalities of the meeting, will give an introduction to his beautiful paintings on show in the room, which evoke strong connections with Chile.

She invited the Ambassador, Her Excellency, Ximena Fuentes, who is President of the Society, to address members. The Ambassador congratulated Fiona and the committee on another successful year and thanked everyone working behind the scenes for making this possible. This year's achievements—from wine tastings to cultural events and supporting Chile have strengthened the Society's presence in the UK. She expressed her gratitude to the Anglo Chilean Society for the warm welcome received as Ambassador in May 2024 and said how much she valued the partnership.

The Chairman thanked the Ambassador for her kind words.

Approval of the minutes of the 2024 AGM:

The Chairman noted that the minutes of the AGM, which had been held at the Embassy on the 6th of March 2024, had been approved by the Executive Committee and now needed to be adopted. She asked for a proposer to make the resolution to adopt them, and Robin Halland Martin obliged, with Brian Jones seconding.

Chairman's Report:

The Chairman reviewed briefly the past year, noting that it was the Society's 80th anniversary. This had been marked by a reception which the Ambassador had kindly permitted at the residence. The Society had successfully organized the annual Mining Event at the Embassy, with Aurora Williams, Chile's Minister of Mines, and a tutored wine tasting event.

Adoption of the Annual Report Accounts:

The Chairman explained that the Report & Accounts had been approved by the Executive Committee and independently examined and now needed to be adopted by the AGM. Alasdair Grant proposed the adoption of the Report & Accounts and Mike Volpin seconded.

Election of the Executive Committee:

The Treasurer, Claudio Duran, took the chair explaining that Society's constitution required the whole committee, with the exception of the Treasurer, to stand down on completion of the adoption of the previous year's Report & Accounts.

Re-election of the Executive Committee

Those who had not yet completed 5 years on the Committee and who wished to stand again and had been duly nominated were: Fiona Clouder, Magdalena Jones, Claudio Duran, Marcos Stuardo, Alasdair Grant, Peter West, José Ignacio Pérez, Claudia Iglesias, Catalina Herrera, and Fabiana Jaramillo.

Their re-election was proposed by Andrew Robshaw and seconded by Brian Jones

Election of previously co-opted Members:

Three long-standing members of the committee had been co-opted for the year having had to stand down in 2024 since they had completed 5 years. They were now eligible for election and had been duly nominated. Carmen Pearson, Monica Volpin and Robert Hart were proposed by Julian Amey and seconded by Hallam Murray.

Election of New Members:

Richard Sterland had been duly nominated and was proposed by Andrew Robshaw and seconded by Mike Volpin.

Election of Officers of the Society:

The officers of the society are elected annually from among the newly elected members of the committee. Fiona Clouder was nominated as Chairman and Magdalena Jones as Vice Chairman.

Proposed by Andrew Robshaw and seconded by Donald Grant.

Claudio Duran was nominated **as Treasurer**. Proposed by Alasdair Grant and seconded by Monica Volpin.

Appointment of the Independent Examiner:

The Treasurer, Claudio Duran, informed the meeting that Caroline Ellis was willing to stand again, and he proposed her. This was seconded by Robert Hart.

The meeting closed at 18.45.

MJ 20/03/25

THE ANGLO CHILEAN SOCIETY
(Registered Charity N0. 212778)
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

President	H. E. The Ambassador: Ximena Fuentes
Vice-Presidents	Baroness Hooper CMG, The Earl of Dundonald Professor Dame Marcela Contreras, Professor Andrés Velasco
Trustees	Fiona Clouder - Chairman Claudio Duran – Treasurer Magdalena Jones - Vice-Chairman Alasdair Grant Peter West, Claudia Iglesias José Ignacio Pérez, Fabiana Jaramillo Catalina Herrera, Richard Sterland, Carmen Pearson, Robert Hart, Monica Volpin
Secretary to the Executive Committee: Monica Volpin	
Grants Co-Ordinator: Carmen Pearson	
Music Advisor: Marcos Stuardo	

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The Executive Committee

According to the Society's constitution, the Executive Committee is required to meet at least twice a year. However, over the past year, the Committee met eight times via Zoom, and one in person meeting ensuring regular discussions and strategic decision-making.

All meetings were chaired by the Chairman, with an average attendance of nine members per session. As of the year-end, the Committee comprised 13 elected members.

Report on the Year

The **Anglo Chilean Society** remains steadfast in its mission as an **independent, apolitical, and areligious organisation**, guided by the principles on which it was founded in **1944**. Our core objectives continue to be the promotion of a deeper and broader understanding of **Chile within the United Kingdom**, as well as the provision of meaningful and practical support to individuals and communities in Chile who are experiencing hardship or distress.

Throughout the past year, our programme of activities has been dedicated to celebrating **Chile's rich cultural heritage, its vibrant and dynamic present, and its promising future**. These efforts have encompassed a wide range of **cultural, educational, and charitable initiatives**, all designed to strengthen bilateral relationships, foster mutual understanding, and extend assistance where it is most needed.

The Society has also remained actively engaged in supporting the **Embassy of Chile** across a variety of important national and cultural events. These have included the **commemoration of the birth of Bernardo O'Higgins, Chile Day, Navy Day**, as well as a series of **musical performances and cultural exhibitions** hosted at the Embassy. In addition, the **launch of the book about the Robledo Brothers** was a particularly well-attended and successful event, drawing strong interest from members and invited guests alike.

One of the highlights of the year was the **Mining Conference**, which was further distinguished by the visit of **Chilean Mining Minister Aurora Williams**. The event proved to be highly successful, attracting a larger audience than in previous years and featuring a carefully curated and well-balanced panel of speakers. Once again, the **mining industry generously sponsored the conference**, enabling the Society to benefit both financially and through strengthened partnerships with key stakeholders.

Together, these activities reflect the Society's continued commitment to building lasting connections between the United Kingdom and Chile, while advancing its charitable and cultural mission in a meaningful and sustainable way.

Financial Contributions & Grants

Once again, the Anglo Chilean Society has demonstrated its firm and practical commitment to supporting Chilean welfare and cultural initiatives, both in Chile and here in the UK. Over the past year, through allocations from our General Funds and AME, we have donated a total of £15,834 in grants to institutions and projects dedicated to improving the well-being, opportunities, and cultural visibility of Chilean communities.

In 2025, the Society made a number of significant grants reflecting both our charitable and cultural objectives. These included support for the commemoration of the Robledo Brothers with a blue plaque, together with associated talks delivered by one of their daughters, ensuring that their legacy is properly recognised and shared with wider audiences.

We also supported initiatives aligned with the Society's cultural mission, including Chilean Visual Arts and an exhibition held in Milton Keynes, helping to promote Chile's artistic heritage and contemporary creativity in the UK.

In the field of education and social welfare, grants were awarded to Fundación Educational Choshuenco, to Colegio Especial Armonía which works with children with Down syndrome, and to Fundación La Llave, which provides opportunities for students from regions outside the capital, Santiago. These organisations are making tangible differences in the lives of young people and families, particularly those facing structural or geographic disadvantage.

In addition, we supported other important charitable initiatives, including Fundación Cristo Rey, among others.

Through these grants, the Anglo Chilean Society continues to translate its mission into meaningful action, strengthening cultural ties, supporting education, and contributing to the welfare and development of Chilean communities.

We look forward to another year of meaningful engagement, cultural celebration, and contributions to Chilean causes.

The Accounts

The Society's basic unrestricted income (General Funds) comes from the renewal of annual membership donations, together with new members and the contribution from life members, whose lump sum payments are brought to income over 5 years. This income was £5,740 last year compared with £5,307 in 2024. This has to cover the running costs of the Society which were £3,150 (£2,730 in 2024), leaving a very small amount to cover the objectives of the Society, charitable giving. In addition, the Society has the income from the Alan McDonald Endowment (AME Fund) (£7,075 compared with £6,500 in 2024). This is restricted to support of Chilean artists and writers in their creative development and supporting the general work of the Society in promoting Chile's artistic and literary heritage and development."

We are making an annual transfer of £1,000 to General Funds to cover the costs of running this scheme.

The main source of income for the Society to fulfill its charitable objectives is therefore the running of fundraising events. These raised a net £15,251 compared with £14,977 in 2024. The Mining Conference produced a higher net result. as we managed to reduce costs. In line with our objectives we continue to support a wide range of grant applications, focusing on projects which achieve impact and added value and where funding is not otherwise easily available. The Trustees have, over the years maintained a policy of holding at least £20,000 in reserve, i.e. to cover c. a year's average running costs as contingency. General Funds reserves at the end of 2024 were £34,185. The Trustees therefore felt able to increase the level of grants to £15,500 compared with £12,200 in 2024, The contribution of the Mining Conference comes late in the year whereas grants are made throughout the year. Some sponsorship payments received later in the year will be reflected in the 2026 accounts. The Treasurer has improved the smoothing of availability of funds to ensure flexibility of grant giving, increasing reserves to £37,295 at the year end. The Society has moved to a system of two grant fiving rounds in March and September each year.

The AME Fund aims to deploy all its excess income every year and made grants totaling £6,000 compared with only £2,000 in 2024. This meant that it still has a balance of £5,300 to start 2026.

The market value of the AME endowed funds was £205,958.33 as at 31/12/2025 compared with £187,531 at 31/12/2024. This is dependent on market performance and the Committee keeps this under review through the fund managers.

Sponsors and Supporters

The Anglo Chilean Society extends its sincere gratitude to its sponsors and supporters, whose generosity and commitment have made our initiatives possible and contributed to their success.

We are particularly grateful to the following organisations and individuals for their financial contributions and sponsorship:

- Antofagasta PLC
- Anglo American PLC
- Rio Tinto PLC
- London Metal Exchange
- ME Elecmetal
- CleanTech Lithium

- Great Southern Copper (GSC)
- Teck

Their support has enabled the Society to host key events, such as the Mining Conference, and to continue providing grants and donations to institutions that benefit Chilean communities. We have also had expressions of interest of future support from BHP and Freeport McMoran and interest in collaboration from CESCO for future mining sector activities.

Additionally, we would like to extend our appreciation to the Embassy of Chile, which has generously allowed the Society to use its office space, further strengthening the collaborative relationship between our organisations.

We are deeply thankful for all our sponsors and partners, whose ongoing support allows the Society to fulfil its mission and make a meaningful impact.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of annual financial statements in a format that complies with the Charities Act 2011 and are required to:

- Select suitable policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Prepare accounts on the going concern basis unless the Trust will not continue in business.
- State whether applicable accounting standards and recommended practice have been followed, subject to material departures noted in the Annual Report.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records disclosing with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position and enabling them to ensure compliance with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding Trust assets and hence for taking reasonable steps to prevent or detect fraud and other irregularities.

The AGM will be at the Embassy on, 26th February 2026 at 6pm.

Fiona Clouder
Chairman

THE ANGLO CHILEAN SOCIETY				
BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2025				
		Note	2025	2024
			£	£
CURRENT ASSETS				
	Investments	1a), b)	130,000	130,000
	Cash at bank		30,191	31,837
	Debtors		5,000	-
	National Savings Deposit		8,368	8,265
	Sub Total		173,558	170,103
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
	Subscriptions prepaid	1d)	750	680
	Prepaid Annual Subs		200	-
	Sub Total		950	680
NET CURRENT ASSETS			172,608	169,423
NET ASSETS			172,608	169,423
Excess for year			3,186	7,657
Starting Balance			169,423	161,766
TOTAL RESERVES			172,608	169,423
REPRESENTED BY FUNDS:				
GENERAL			37,295	34,185
AME INCOME			5,314	5,237
AME ENDOWMENT			130,000	130,000
TOTAL			172,608	169,423
Approved by the Trustees on 5th February, 2026				
and signed on their behalf by:				
	<i>Claudio Duran</i>		Treasurer	
The NOTES form part of these accounts				

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2025						
1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES						
a) Basis of accounting: The accounts are prepared on the historical cost basis, with accruals, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005), UK Accounting Standards and the Charities Act 2011.						
b) Investments are at book value.						
c) Fixed assets/Stocks: Fixed assets and stocks are written off on acquisition.						
d) Prepaid subscriptions: Life memberships are brought to income at the rate of 10% pa.						
e) Fund raising events: Income is shown gross, before relevant expenses.						
2 FUNDS						
In 2012 the Society received an endowment the income from which is restricted to certain purposes as determined by the terms of the gift - AME Fund.						
FUND MOVEMENTS - 2025		£	£	£	£	£
		Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfer	Closing
	AME Endowment	130,000	-	-		130,000
	AME Income/expenditure	5,239	7,075	6,000	1,000	5,314
	General Funds	34,184	26,204	24,093	1,000	37,295
	Total	169,423	33,279	30,093	-	172,609
3 INCOMING RESOURCES in 2025						
		2025			2024	
		£	£	£	£	
3a Incoming resources - donors		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total	
	Personal annual subs.	3,544			3,557	
	Life subs. amortisation	250			205	
	Commercial subscriptions	100			200	
	Donations	936			416	
	Tax recovery	909	-		929	
	Total	5,740	-		5,307	
3b Net Income from charitable trading		£	£	£		
		2025			2024	
		Income	Expense	Net	Net	
	Mining Conference	17,508	2,288	15,221	13,036	
	Wine Tasting	2,607	1,826	782	2,169	
	AGM		95	- 95	- 228	
	Robledo Event	197	543	- 347		
	80th Anniversary	50	360	- 310		
	Total	20,362	5,112	15,251	14,977	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED			
4 RESOURCES USED	2025	2024	
4a Grants:	£	£	
Fire Apeal Fund:			
Bomberos Valpo		<u>2,169</u>	
AME Fund:			
Romina - Singer		500	
D Portillo- V&A Exhib.		1,500	
Carice Singers/Anibal Vidal	2,000	-	
Barbara Oettinger MK Gallery	2,000	-	
Paz Erazuriz MK	<u>2,000</u>	<u>-</u>	
Total	<u>6,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	
Unrestricted General Fund:			
C Hola - St Margarets		1,500	
M Poncell - Olympics		1,500	
Aqui Estamos - Doc.		1,000	
M Bonnebas Social Foundation		2,035	
Bomberos - Valpo		1,561	
Chilean artists Somers Gallery exhib.		1,434	
Bosque Frio		2,000	
T Curteis - Residence in Chile		1,200	
E Robledo	1,000		
Choshuenco	1,662		
Biennale	2,000		
Carmen Mardonez	1,000		
Patricia Macaren	2,000		
Felipe Pineda	1,000		
Fundacion La Llave	2,015		
Col. Armonia	1,315		
Fundacion Rey Cristo	1,515		
Repub Libano	<u>2,000</u>	<u>-</u>	
Total	<u>15,507</u>	<u>12,230</u>	
GRAND TOTAL	<u>21,507</u>	<u>16,399</u>	
4b Management and administration:			
General office expenses	1,914	1,352	
Financial Charges	290	182	
Web site/Internet	558	810	
Insurance	<u>415</u>	<u>386</u>	
Total	<u>3,178</u>	<u>2,730</u>	

**Independent Examiner's Report
to the Trustees of The Anglo Chilean Society**

This report on the 2025 accounts is in respect of an examination carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner:

As Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and keeping records under section 130 of the Act. It is my responsibility to issue this report in accordance with the Directions made under section 145 (5) (b) of the Act.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report:

My examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Society and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement:

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with the Act; and
 - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act, 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.

Signed: Caroline Ellis Dated: February 2026