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The Stationers' Company Commits Formally to Diversity and Inclusion

At a ceremony at Stationers' Hall on Wednesday, 22 February 2023 attended by members of the Court and former Lord Mayor Alderman Vincent Keaveny and Alderman Greg Jones, the Master of the Stationers' Company, Moira Sleight, signed the Company's Diversity Pledge.

The Company aims to reflect the diversity of the communications and content industries from which its membership is drawn. In order to ensure greater success it set up a Diversity Working Group in 2021 which undertook a survey of the membership and established a profile of the membership in terms of ethnicity; gender; gender identity; sexual orientation; age; and religion. This forms the base against which the results of the Company's endeavours to improve the diversity of its membership will be measured.

The Stationers' Diversity Pledge commits it to the following actions:-

- To attract new members of all backgrounds from within its industries, reaching out actively to individuals and groups who are under-represented
- To ensure that members of all backgrounds are encouraged to participate fully in the life of the Company
- To consider the balance of speakers and contributors at all Company events
- To make wide use of technology to enable access to Company events for those not able to attend in person
- To consider the language and imagery used in describing the Company's life and events, aiming to ensure that members of all backgrounds feel included and represented
- To monitor annually the Company's progress on diversity and inclusion

The full text of the Stationers' Diversity Pledge can be found on their website at <u>Diversity-Pledge-final 7a59.pdf (stationers.org)</u>

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About The Stationers' Company

The Stationers' Company is the City of London Livery Company for the Communications and Content industries. The Company's mission is to be the most effective independent forum in the UK Communications and Content industries, actively contributing to the strategic development, success and education of these industries. The majority of our members work in or supply the paper, print, publishing, packaging, office products, newspaper, broadcasting and online media industries.