

**National Galleries of Scotland
Board of Trustees**

Minute of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held in the Boardroom,
Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art Two, Belford Road, Edinburgh on
Monday 23 November 2015 at 1400 hrs.

Present: Ben Thomson, Chairman
Alistair Dodds
Lesley Knox
Tari Lang
Benny Higgins
Tricia Bey
Willie Watt
Edward Green
Professor Nick Pearce

In Attendance: Sir John Leighton, Director-General
Christopher Baker
Michael Clarke
Jacqueline Ridge
Simon Groom
Patricia Convery
Frank Gribben

Apologies: Nicky Wilson Catherine Muirden

Secretariat: Lesley Ellen

Action

1 Chairman's Business

1.2 Changes to Sub-Committees

1.2.1 Major Capital Programme Committee

The Chairman confirmed that Lesley Knox had stood down from the Major Capital Programme Committee.

1.2.2 Board Review Committee

Tari Lang had become a member of the Board Review Committee alongside Willie Watt and Lesley Knox who was to become the chair next year from May 2016 when the Committee would be leading the process to appoint a new Chair of NGS.

2 Minutes

2.1 Minute of the Meeting of 7 September 2015

The minute of the meeting of 7 September 2015 was approved with one minor amendment.

3 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4 Departmental and Gallery Reports

4.1 Scottish National Gallery

Michael Clarke outlined the report.

4.2 Scottish National Portrait Gallery

Christopher Baker outlined the report.

4.3 Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art

Simon Groom outlined the report.

4.4 Audience Engagement

4.4.1 Quarterly Report

The quarterly audience engagement report was noted.

Patsy Convery advised that the brand development work was progressing well and that consultants were being interviewed on 6 December.

4.4.2 Visitor Figures: August–October 2015

Noted.

5 Public Programme 2016–20

Noted.

6 Compliance Matters

6.1 Performance Measures: Quarter 2 Report

Noted.

7 Any Other Business

There were no other items of business.

8 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday 25 January 2015.