



March 2026 Guild Board Meeting Member Summary

Monday 30th March 2026 1pm

Zoom

This member summary excludes commercially sensitive topics.

Attendance

Present

Jonny Garrett (Chair), Michael Clarke, Phil Mellows, Rachel Auty, Rose Davies, Mike Hampshire (Secretary)

Apologies

Christian Gott, Phil Mellows, Robyn Black

Declarations of Interest

Rose Davies (Shepherd Neame)

Action from Previous Meeting

Previous meeting actions were discussed and updated accordingly.

Previous Minutes

Matters arising were discussed and the minutes were approved.

Board

Charity Partners

The board are to shortlist charity partners to work with over the year, with the final list being presented to members to vote upon.

International Networks

JG has arranged a meeting with the NAGBW to discuss collaborative opportunities.

Guild Presence at SIBA and We Are Beer Events

JG is working on enhancing the Guild presence at SIBA and We Are Beer events.

Charlotte Stepping Down

MH briefed on Charlotte's decision to step down from the board, with immediate effect. MH advised this means the board can co-opt a member as a director, if they wish.

Awards

The board discussed requirements for a new venue in 2027 and agreed the following guidance:

1. A lower cost venue
2. Exciting/accessible for beer enthusiasts
3. Central London location (i.e. Zones 1 or 2)
4. Ability for sponsors to bring their own bars
5. Not a seated dinner, but still plenty of seating

AGM

MH updated the board with the schedule. JG asked the board to think about potential directors, reminding that any conflicts of interest be declared.

Events & Marketing

JG is to work on a member survey.

An event with Charles Faram is scheduled for 21st April.

Membership

Individual membership stands at 267 with 51 complimentary.

The renewal cycle for industry partners will begin in April.