

34. Wesley House, Cambridge

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Resolutions	34/1. The Conference receives the Report. 34/2. The Conference ratifies the appointment of the Revds Molly Chitokwindo, Catherine Dixon and Julian Pursehouse and the Right Revd Martin Seeley as trustee directors of Wesley House, Cambridge. 34/2A. The Conference thanks Mr Derek Nicholls for all his work during his many years of service as a trustee of Wesley House, Cambridge.
Summary of Content	The report requests the ratification by the Conference, in accordance with the Articles of Association of Wesley House, Cambridge of the appointment of two co-opted directors.

1. Over recent years, the Conference has received a number of reports from the trustees of Wesley House, Cambridge, outlining the trustees' proposals for the future of the trust. In those reports, the trustees explained the development of new vision for Wesley House which would build upon the work done in the 90 years since its foundation but would involve adopting wider objects including the theological education and training of lay people as well as those in training for ministry and a much greater international focus.
2. The practical steps required as an immediate consequence are now well under way. A sale and leaseback transaction has been entered into with Jesus College and the building works required on the retained part of the Wesley House site have made considerable progress. Wesley House is looking forward to the return of students in the autumn and the building up of their numbers in the next months and years.
3. As reported to the 2014 Conference, it was then the hope of the trustees to incorporate the trustee body in the near future, in particular having regard to the substantial contractual commitments about to be undertaken. Incorporation has now taken place and in effect the assets and business of the trust have been transferred to the new company, which has the name Wesley House, Cambridge. The old trust is nevertheless still in existence for the time being.
4. The company's Articles of Association, like the trust's amended 1919 Foundation Deed, maintains connexional involvement in the process for appointing trustee directors, by which the Conference will usually be invited to approve a list of nominated new trustee directors. There is, however, a power of co-option exercisable by the trustees. If that power is exercised, the names of the co-opted trustee directors are to be brought to the next Conference for ratification. The trustee directors have exercised that power to co-opt the Revds Molly Chitokwindo and Catherine Dixon and their names are therefore brought to the Conference for ratification.

***RESOLUTIONS

34/1. The Conference received the Report.

Since the report printed in the Agenda at pages 295-296 was written, the trustee directors of Wesley House Cambridge have further exercised their power of co-option and also brings the names of the Revd Julian Pursehouse and the Right Revd Martin Seeley to the Conference for ratification. The trustees also wish to record their thanks to Mr Derek Nicholls for his long and invaluable service first as a trustee appointed by the Conference to the original trustee body and more recently as a trustee director and invite the Conference to express its thanks also.

34/2. The Conference ratified the appointment of the Revds Molly Chitokwindo, Catherine Dixon and Julian Pursehouse and the Right Revd Martin Seeley as trustee directors of Wesley House, Cambridge.

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