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Dr Anne Kerr elected as Chair of The British Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong 2022 – 2023

HONG KONG – Wednesday 14 September - [The British Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong](#) (the Chamber) held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 14 September 2022, together with an Extraordinary Meeting of the Elected Members of its General Committee.

The Chair made some opening remarks and the Chamber observed a minute's silence before the formal meeting to mark the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Dr Anne Kerr, Mott MacDonald was elected as Chair of the Chamber for 2022-2023.

In the outgoing Chair's report **Peter Burnett OBE, BBS**, Standard Chartered Bank Hong Kong Ltd, looked back on another challenging and busy period for the Chamber and thanked members for their support.

The Chamber would like to take this opportunity to thank Peter for his enormous contribution over the past four years as Chair. Peter has been an instrumental part of the Chamber and the wider business community in Hong Kong for many years. He has put in a huge amount of work to enhance the Chamber's reputation and value, to build its membership, and to develop its relationships with key stakeholders. This has been recognised with the award of the OBE in the Queen's 2022 New Year's Honours and the BBS in the Hong Kong SAR 2022 Establishment Day Honours that both acknowledge his contribution to the development of the business community in Hong Kong.

The Extraordinary Meeting of Directors also re-elected **Jeremy Sheldon, Jones Lang LaSalle Ltd**, and **James Turner, Prudential plc**, as Vice-Chairs. **Paul McSheaffrey, KPMG**, will continue to serve as the Treasurer.

Dr Anne Kerr commented: *"I am deeply honoured to be elected as Chair of the Chamber and am delighted that Jeremy Sheldon and James Turner have agreed to continue to be Vice Chairs. The British Chamber of Commerce's strapline of "where business gets done" is a core principle of the way the activities of the Chamber are perceived. This has never been more critical than at this time as we navigate our way through and out of the global pandemic, and reconnect and make new connections within the many markets and sectors our members work across. We continue to see exciting opportunities both locally, in the Greater Bay Area and beyond. As we see increasing emphasis on decarbonisation strategies and sustainable financing we remain optimistic that in addition to the successes of our traditional businesses and position as a leading international finance centre, we will also see many opportunities for innovation, new technology and service offerings. There remains much to be optimistic about. We look forward to continuing to contribute to the success of Hong Kong, our members and the communities within which we work."*

Peter Burnett OBE, BBS commented: *"It has been my honour to serve as Chair of the British Chamber. The last four years have thrown up very many challenges and plenty of opportunities for our members. During my chairmanship, and with the support of the General Committee, I have endeavoured to ensure that the business voice is heard and understood. Our members make a very considerable contribution to the economic success of Hong Kong. Equally they support the UK and other international locations through taxes and capital remittances. Hong Kong will continue to offer very significant opportunities for all businesses and the British Chamber will continue to shape and lead the dialogue for our members. I am especially pleased that Anne has agreed to take over the Chair and look forward to watching, from the wings, as BritCham grows and prospers under her chairmanship."*

The Officers of the Chamber and the Elected Members of the General Committee for 2022-2023 are set out below:

Chair: Dr. Anne Kerr, Mott MacDonald Ltd



Vice-Chair: Jeremy Sheldon, Jones Lang LaSalle Ltd
Vice-Chair: James Turner, Prudential plc
Treasurer: Paul McSheaffrey, KPMG
Elected Directors:
Anthony Davies, Barclays Bank Plc
Graham Baker, Jardine Matheson and Jardine Matheson Holdings Limited
Kathryn Weaver, Lewis Silkin
Keith Pogson, EY
Phil Aldridge, FunctionEight Limited
Philp Fellowes, HSBC
Richard Jones, Standard Chartered
Richard Sell, Hong Kong Aero Engine Services Limited (HAESL)
Stephen Kitts, Eversheds Sutherland
Susheela Rivers, DLA Piper

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Note to editors

Dr. Anne Kerr - Managing Director Greater China and Global Head of Cities, Mott MacDonald.



Dr. Anne Kerr leads Mott MacDonald's Global Strategic Initiative for Cities providing expertise in visioning, master-planning and delivery of developments at local, national and cross boundary. Also Managing Director for Greater China. In both roles involved in developing roadmaps, development strategies as well as detailed plans for (and delivery of) integrated developments (both new and redevelopment/regeneration) for communities, landuse and transportation, innovative technologies, and resource management in more than 30 countries. Advises governments, developments and agencies on policy matters and strategies to deliver integrated solutions for the built environment – always putting people first. Has provided advisory services to a number of eco-city and smart city developments, mixed use communities, transit oriented developments and entertainment districts and for various other master-planning developments around the world, and provides inputs to Regional goals in support of sustainable development goals and particularly SDG 11.



The British Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

[The British Chamber](#) is one of Hong Kong's largest and most active independent international business organisations representing a broad span of British, Hong Kong and international companies doing business in, with, or through Hong Kong. The Chamber encourages diversity in its membership and activities and has over 1,000 members from the biggest multinationals through to a broad range of medium and smaller companies and start-ups.

The Chamber's aim is to help our members grow their business, and promote and represent their business interests by providing representation and advocacy; networking and brand exposure; as well as information and insight.

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