LONDON MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY: LEAVING A LEGACY TO THE SOCIETY

Notes on leaving a legacy to the Society in your Will

1. Your Will is a legal document and you are recommended to consult a solicitor if you plan to make or amend your Will to leave a legacy to the Society. You should review your Will at intervals, especially if your financial or family circumstances change.

2. It is best to quote the Society’s full name and charity number, in the form; The London Mathematical Society (a charity registered in England and Wales with charity number 252660) of registered office London Mathematical Society, De Morgan House, 57-58 Russell Square, London, WC1B 4HS (the “Society”) or its successors, to avoid any doubt or ambiguity and to cater for any future developments in the Society’s status.

3. To help ensure the best use of your legacy gift in supporting the advancement of mathematics through the work of the London Mathematical Society, please do consider leaving your gift for these general purposes. In addition to allowing Council to use its best judgement in the use of the legacy, it also means that, should any particular projects presently run by the Society be terminated prior to the realisation of the gift, it may still be used to support mathematics.

4. When visiting your solicitor to discuss your Will, you may wish to take the following example wording with you as a guide:

   *I give [all of my estate/the residue of my estate/the sum of £(the amount you wish to leave)] free of inheritance tax to The London Mathematical Society (a charity registered in England and Wales with charity number 252660) of registered office London Mathematical Society, De Morgan House, 57-58 Russell Square, London, WC1B 4HS (the “Society”) absolutely for its general charitable purposes. Subject to the provisions of section 311 of the Charities Act 2011, if at the date of my death the Society is no longer in existence or is subject to a winding-up order, my executors shall pay the legacy to such other charity or charities having the same or similar objects as my executors shall select. I further direct that the receipt of the person who professes to be the Treasurer or other proper officer of the Society (or such other charity or charities as my executors have selected above) for the time being shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my executors.*