

## Annual General Meeting Welcomes New Vice President for Field Lane

Field Lane's 101<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting\* held in November 2009 at its Vine Hill Headquarters in Clerkenwell, London, brought together a strong vision for the future and a reestablishment of past heritage.



(L-R; Earl of Haddo (Vice President), Viscount Brentford (President), Dr Marcia Purnell (outgoing chair) and John Furber QC (incoming chair)

At the meeting, the Earl of Haddo was formally welcomed to the position of Vice President, by Field Lane's President, Viscount Brentford. Since 1841 Field Lane has had only four presidents, all making in different ways their personal contributions to the progress of a work which has been dear to them. Thus, in his acceptance of the role of Vice President, George, Earl of Haddo, as the eldest son of the current Marquis of Aberdeen, has reestablished the foundation's links to its past.



Field Lane's Trustees, President and new Vice President at the AGM.

The Annual General Meeting also saw the completion of Dr Marcia Purnell's three year term as chair of the Board of Trustees. Dr Purnell's tenure has seen considerable developments in Field Lane's services, most notably in the development and future expansion of community support services for adults with learning difficulties. Dr Purnell will remain as a trustee and we thank her for the determination and leadership that she has shown throughout her tenure. In her address, Dr Purnell thanked all of Field Lane's trustees, staff and all of those whose support had assisted her and sustained Field Lane's work. Her successor will be Mr. John Furber QC, a former chair.

\*Although founded in 1841, Field Lane was incorporated in 1908.