James Lupton, CBE

James Lupton co-founded the London office of Greenhill & Co. in 1998 and is now Chairman of Greenhill Europe. He previously worked for 17 years at Baring Brothers, where he served in senior roles, including as Deputy Chairman for 3 years after Barings' acquisition by ING. He has served as Trustee of various charitable organisations, most recently as Chairman of Dulwich Picture Gallery for 5 years, a Trustee of the British Museum since 2012, and Chairman of the Lupton family charitable foundation, The Lovington Foundation, since 2013. He was awarded a CBE in the 2012 New Year Honours for Services to the Arts and Philanthropy. He became Co-Treasurer of the Conservative Party in February 2013.

James was born on 15 June 1955 in Lancashire, and was educated at Sedbergh School (Scholar) and Lincoln College, Oxford where he read Jurisprudence and was JCR President. After qualifying as a solicitor in 1979, he started a career in corporate finance at Warburgs, moving to Barings in 1980 and co-founding Greenhill London in 1998. Greenhill is an international corporate advisory firm now listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is internationally recognised as a leading advisory firm with high integrity and ethical standards. With some 36 years in the business, James has advised UK and international companies on a wide variety of major transactions.

James has been active in the charitable sector. He was a Governor of Downe House School from 1998-2006; a Trustee of Dulwich Picture Gallery (England's oldest purpose-built public art gallery) from 1997-2011, serving for the last 5 years as Chairman, during which time the gallery flourished; and has been a Trustee of the British Museum since 2012. He has been on the Advisory Board of Grange Park Opera since its inception in 1997, and served on the International Advisory Board of Global Leadership Foundation (founded by FW de Klerk) until recently. In 2013, the Lupton family formed a charitable foundation, The Lovington Foundation, which James chairs and has so far endowed with donations of £1.3 million. His total charitable donations over the last 10 years approximate £4 million, of which (in addition to The Lovington Foundation) Dulwich Picture Gallery (£1.4 million), Kids Company and Emmaus Hampshire have been major beneficiaries. The Lovington Foundation's key areas of interest are in Arts Education and Social Welfare in the UK, with a particular emphasis on the young.

In February 2013, James became Co-Treasurer of The Conservative Party. He continues as Co-Treasurer.

James married Béatrice in 1983 and they have 4 adult children. He is interested in opera, field sports, skiing, art and art collecting and music. Mrs Lupton chairs a £5 million Endowment Appeal for the Quiristers of Winchester College.