

# SCARBOROUGH ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3rd APRIL 2017

AT 7.30pm IN THE CONCERT ROOM, CENTRAL LIBRARY, VERNON ROAD, SCARBOROUGH

SIMON TEMLETT IN THE CHAIR

Chair's Note: Due to a computer failure, the record of last year's minutes are incomplete and the names of the proposers and seconders of the motions put to the Society are not recorded. Members present will attest that the Meeting was held in the appropriate formal way.

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

### 2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2016

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2016, having previously circulated, were proposed and seconded by Members and signed as correct by the Chair.

### 3. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

### 4. ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Report had been previously circulated and the Chair gave a short synopsis of its content. The report was proposed and seconded by two Members and unanimously accepted by Members. A copy of the report is attached.

The Chair thanked Sue Ogilvy for all her hard work after stepping down from the role of Membership Secretary and from the Committee.

### 5. ACCOUNTS

Martin Bland, Treasurer, presented the accounts. He explained that the basis of the report was an examination carried out under Section 43 the Charities Act 1993 and in accordance with the directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity Trustees and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes a review of the accounts and making such enquiries as are necessary for the purposes of this report. The procedures undertaken do not constitute an audit.

The accounts for the period 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 were presented to those Members present, a copy of which is attached and having previously circulated. Subscriptions revenue was slightly down. Increases in the rent for the store and room hire for the Concert Room at the Library had also been incurred.

The Committee has considered an increase in subscription rates but this would be discussed later.

During the year, the Society had purchased a Trimble GPS unit for future archaeological research. This was financed by funds received from a previous excavation.

Martin Bland expressed his thanks to the Auditors for their work on the accounts preparation.

The adoption of the accounts was proposed and seconded Members and carried unanimously.

#### **6. TO SET THE SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR 2017-2018**

Keith Johnston addressed the Meeting to outline the Committee's proposals for the change in Subscription Rates. The cost to the Society for the room hire at the Library is increasing and although the Committee had considered alternative venues, the Library's central location and amenities were thought to be the best available. It is also important that the Society is seen to support venues such as the Library at a time when a number of facilities are closing.

Keith Johnston presented the Committee's recommendation that subscription rates be raised from £15 to £17 for single members, joint membership from £25 to £28 and that entry to talks for visitors would be raised from £2 to £3. This was still thought to represent excellent value for money when looking at the fees charged to attend other talks.

The motion was proposed by Members to the Society and carried unanimously.

#### **7. Election of Officers and Committee for 2017-2018**

Trevor Pearson was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously to continue in his role as President.

Chris Hall was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously to continue in his role as Vice President.

At this point Simon Temlett stepped down and Martin Bland stepped into the role as Chair.

Simon Temlett indicated his willingness to re-stand as Chair. This was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously.

Simon Temlett then resumed his role as Chair.

Mark Vesey and Vanessa Milner had indicated their willingness to re-stand as Vice Chairs.

Keith Johnston had indicated his willingness to re-stand as Secretary.

Martin Bland had indicated his willingness to re-stand as Treasurer.

The above roles were proposed, seconded and carried unanimously.

Committee members Gareth Davies, Mark Franklin, Stephen Gandolfi, Linda Kemp, Emma Temlett, Mike Widdas and Marie Woods had previously indicated the willingness to stand for re-election. Dan Wilson had also been approached and agreed to join the Committee.

The election was proposed, seconded and unanimously carried by the Society Members.

#### **8. Appointment of Auditors for 2016-2017**

#### **9. Any Other Business**

No other business.

Following the completion of the formal business of the Society, Trevor Pearson provided an update on recent fieldwork at Brompton Castle Hill and in Raincliffe Woods and Keith

Johnston presented the Society's historical research project on the relationship between Scarborough's visitors and the sea.