

Scarborough Archaeological and Historical Society

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 9th April 2018 at 19:30 in the
Concert Room, Central Library, Vernon Road, Scarborough

In the Chair: Simon Temlett
65 Members Present

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Linda Kemp, John Swift, Richard Collier and Trevor Pearson.

2 MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM

Simon Temlett apologised to the meeting as, due to a computer failure, the fully detailed minutes of the previous AGM were not available. The minutes as circulated were made from notes made at the meeting but the notes used did not record the proposers and seconders of each motion and therefore the meeting was asked if the minutes could be accepted without this detail.

The Minutes were proposed to be approved by Gareth Davies, seconded by Stephen Gandolfi and voted to be accepted unanimously.

3 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting.

Simon Temlett thanked Joan Evans and Vanessa Milner formally for providing the tea, coffee and cakes which were made available for free prior to the AGM.

4 ANNUAL REPORT

Prior to the meeting, the Annual Report for 2017- 18 had been circulated to members via email, the website and printed copies were available at the meeting; Simon Temlett presented a precis of the report. Simon Temlett acknowledged the work and contribution to the Society of the late Steve Bence who had sadly passed away during the course of the year.

The Report was proposed be approved by Joan Evans, seconded by Alison Spencer and carried unanimously.

5 ACCOUNTS

The Society's Treasurer, Martin Bland, presented the 2017 - 2018 accounts that were circulated to members prior to meeting. Martin Bland explained that the report shows the 3 years gift aid donations contributions had been reclaimed. Martin Bland explained that the increased membership fees introduced 2017 and increased visitor numbers to the Lecture Programme lead to the Society making a surplus. The accounts also show expenditure relating to the purchase of a resistivity meter by the Society to be used in future fieldwork. Martin Bland stated that the accounts have been audited by and found to be accurate.

The report was proposed to be accepted by Chis Evans, seconded by Sue Ogilvy and carried unanimously.

6 SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR 2018 – 2019

The Committee had previously discussed the level of subscriptions and concluded that there was no need to make any changes. Martin Bland moved for there to be no increase in membership fees or change to visitor entry fees.

Proposed by Chis Evans, seconded by Sue Ogilvy and carried unanimously.

7 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE FOR 2018 – 2019

Trevor Pearson had previously indicated his willingness to re-stand for the position of President.

Proposed: Mark Vesey. Seconded: Sue Ogilvy. Carried unanimously.

Chris Hall and Keith Johnston had indicated their willingness to stand for the positions of Vice President.

Proposed: Marie Woods. Seconded: Joan Evans. Carried unanimously.

Simon Temlett at this point stepped down and Chris Hall took the Chair. Chris Hall explained that Simon Temlett had now served three years as Chairman and under the Constitution of the Society had completed the maximum term allowed in any one consecutive period. No willing volunteers had come forward to take on the role and the role was offered to the floor; no volunteers were proposed. Chris Hall then proposed that the clause be set aside for one year if Simon Temlett was willing to continue which he indicated he was. The motion to set aside the clause in the Constitution was proposed by Chris Hall, seconded by Chris Evans and carried unanimously.

Simon Temlett was proposed as Chairman by Mark Vesey, seconded by Vanessa Milner and carried unanimously.

Chris Hall stepped down and Simon Temlett resumed the Chair.

Vanessa Milner and Mark Vesey had indicated their willingness to continue in the roles of Vice Chairs of Society. They were proposed by Sue Ogilvy, seconded by Martin Bland and carried unanimously.

Keith Johnston had previously indicated his willingness to continue in the role of Secretary. He was proposed by Mark Vesey, seconded by Sue Ogilvy and carried unanimously.

Martin Bland indicated his willingness to continue in the role of Treasurer. He was proposed by Vanessa Milner, seconded by Mark Vesey and carried unanimously.

The following Committee members had indicated their willingness for re-election to the Committee: Gareth Davies, Dan Wilson, Mark Franklin, Linda Kemp, Stephen Gandolfi, Marie Woods, Alison Spencer, Emma Temlett and Mike Widdas. Their re-election was proposed by Chris Evans, seconded by Joan Evans and carried unanimously.

Sue Ogilvy and Stewart MacDonald were also proposed for election to the Committee by Mark Vesey, seconded by Marie Woods and carried unanimously.

8 APPOINTMENTS OF AUDITORS FOR 2018 – 2019

Messrs D. G. Palfrey and J. D. Johnson had agreed to continue in their role as auditors of the Society's accounts. Martin Bland thanked them on behalf of the Society for their work in this regard. Their appointment was proposed by Keith Johnston, seconded by Gareth Davies and carried unanimously.

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Simon Temlett highlighted the changes in the revised Society Membership Form due to the introduction of GDPR. Simon Temlett advised all members that a revised Privacy Policy would be posted on the Society website. Simon Temlett told members that it was important that they should review the Membership Form carefully as they must give explicit consent to be contacted by the Society.

Keith Johnston formally wished to thank Gary and Tina, the landlords of the Hole in the Wall Inn, for hosting the History Group meetings.

Chris Hall and Marie Woods took the floor to explain the role of the Field Officers in the Society and invited all interested to volunteer as there are many roles available in the field work team. Marie Woods explained that there are opportunities to become involved in the planning and post excavations finds work as well as the more physical aspects of the excavation process. Marie Woods then provided an outline of the forthcoming projects that the field working team would be undertaking in Raincliffe Woods and Brompton Village on the Castle Hill site.

Vanessa Milner wanted to thank Simon Temlett for his continued Chairmanship and his work for the Society.

The formal business of the AGM concluded, and Vanessa Milner presented a talk on the 'Country House at War'.