Scarborough Archaeological and Historical Society

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at 7.30pm on the 3rd April 2023, Salvation Army Hall, Alma Parade, Scarborough

In the Chair: Simon Temlett

45 Members Present

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Stephen Gandolfi, Keith Johnston and Emma Temlett.

2 Annual Report

Prior to the meeting, an email had been circulated to all members and subscribers to the evening mailing list containing links to the AGM documents, namely the Agenda, Minutes, Annual Report and Audited Accounts. The documents were also made available on the Society website. A number of printed copies were available in the meeting for attendees.

Simon Temlett presented a precis of the Annual Report to members present. The report was proposed to be approved by Vanessa Milner, seconded by Sue Ogilvy and carried unanimously.

3 Accounts

The Society's Treasurer, Martin Bland, presented the accounts for the year 2022 – 2023 and took questions. Significant publications income was noted and this was through the sales of the new Scarborough at War and Rosedale Mines and Railway books. The funds from the Rosedale sales are to be held as Restricted Funds ultimately to be dispensed to the Land of Iron project.

The Accounts were proposed to be received by Mark Vesey and seconded by Geoffrey Milner and carried unanimously.

4 To set the Subscription Rates for 2023 – 2024

At the committee meeting prior to the AGM the committee had discussed potential changes to the subscription rates and concluded that none were required. Martin Bland moved for the current subscription rates to be maintained at the current level. This was proposed by Chris Hall, seconded by Vanessa Milner and carried unanimously.

5 Election of Officers and Committee for 2023 – 2024

Trevor Pearson had indicated his willingness to re-stand for the position of President Proposed: Sue Ogilvy. Seconded: Chris Hall. Carried unanimously.

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

Proposed: Mark Vesey. Seconded: Geoffrey Milner. Carried unanimously.

At this point Simon Temlett stood down as chair of the meeting and Chris Hall assumed the role.

Simon Temlett had indicated his willingness to stand again as Chair. Proposed: Vanessa Milner. Seconded: Martin Bland. Carried unanimously.

At this point Simon Temlett resumed chair of the meeting.

Vanessa Milner and Mark Vesey had previously indicated their willingness to continue in their roles as Vice Chairs of the Society. Proposed: Stewart MacDonald. Seconded: Alison Spencer. Carried unanimously.

Keith Johnston had indicated his willingness to continue in his role as Secretary. Proposed: Sue Ogilvy. Seconded: Alison Spencer. Carried unanimously.

Martin Bland had previously indicated his willingness to continue of the role of Treasurer. Proposed: Mark Vesey. Seconded: Geoffrey Milner. Carried unanimously.

The following committee members had indicated their willingness to stand for re-election to the committee and the vote was taken en masse: Gareth Davies, Stephen Gandolfi, Elaine Jamieson, Stewart MacDonald, Sue Ogilvy, John Oxley, Alison Spencer, Emma Temlett, Andrew Volans.

Proposed: Geoffrey Milner. Seconded: Mark Vesey. Carried unanimously.

6 Appointment of Auditors for 2023 – 2024

Messrs D. G. Palfrey and J. D. Johnson had both agreed to continue in the role as auditors for the Society's accounts. Martin Bland had previously noted the Society's gratitude for their work on this matter.

Proposed: Sue Ogilvy. Seconded: Alison Spencer. Carried unanimously.

7 Any other business

There being no other business the formalities of the AGM were concluded and Melanie Giles presented a talk entitled "Harnessing History: the chariot burials of Yorkshire'