

Virtual Annual General Meeting 2020

Due the restrictions imposed by the UK Government in relation to the Coronavirus COVID-19 outbreak, it was not possible for the Society's Annual General Meeting to be held as scheduled for the 30th March 2020.

The Constitution of the Society requires that the Annual General Meeting has to be held no later than 31st May after the financial year end. As it was highly likely that restrictions would not be lifted in time to fulfil this requirement, the Committee took the decision to hold a Virtual Annual General Meeting. Members of the Society would be invited to vote via an on-line form for the proposals detailed in the original agenda; this would replace voting in person at the meeting.

The agenda, Annual Report, Financial Statement, and Minutes of the previous AGM had previously been published on the Society's website in preparation for the planned AGM. On the 2nd April 2020, an email was circulated to members including links to the documents and a link to the online voting form. The email was sent to 102 recipients (the Society holds a single email address for a number of joint memberships) and there were 10 members who do not have an email address; Society membership was 128. The decision was made not to send a printed version of the form to those members not on email to eliminate the risk of infection to them and the recipient of the completed forms. The email informed members that the form would be available until the 26th April for them to cast their votes.

A second reminder email was sent on the 19th April containing the same links to the documents and form saying that voting would close in a week's time.

Initially on opening the form, the member was required to enter their email address to ensure that only members' votes would be accepted. The form consisted of a number of proposals, listed below. A response was compulsory for each proposal and the form would only be accepted if a response was entered for every proposal. For each proposal, the member could vote in favour, against or abstain.

List of Proposals for the 2020 Virtual Annual General Meeting:

Minutes of the AGM held on the 1st April 2019

The Committee propose the acceptance of the minutes as a true record.

Annual Report for year 2019-2020

The Committee propose the acceptance and adoption of the Annual Report

Annual Accounts for the financial year ending 31st August 2019

The Committee propose the acceptance and adoption of the Annual Accounts

Subscriptions for the year 2020-2021

The Committee propose that the annual subscription remains un-changed at £17.00 and £11.00 for an additional member in the same household or student member.

Election of President and Vice-Presidents

The current President Trevor Pearson and Vice-Presidents, Chris Hall and Keith Johnston, are willing to stand for re-election. The election en-bloc is proposed.

Election of Officers

The current Officers, Chair Dan Wilson, Vice Chairs Vanessa Milner and Mark Vesey, Secretary Keith Johnson and Treasurer Martin Bland are willing to stand for re-election. Their election en-bloc is proposed.

Election of Committee Members

Gareth Davies, Stephen Gandolfi, Stewart McDonald, Sue Ogilvy, Alison Spencer, Emma Temlett, Simon Temlett, Marie Woods and Mike Widdas are willing to stand for re-election. John Oxley is proposed for election. Their election en-bloc is proposed.

Election of Auditors

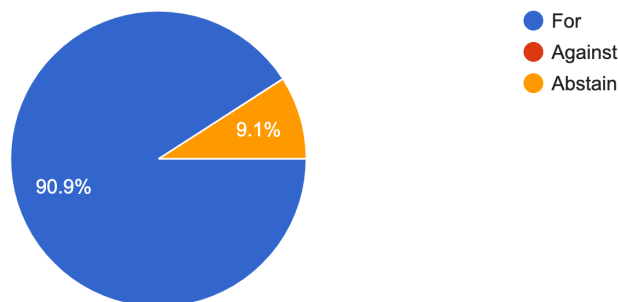
The current Auditors, Doug Johnson and David Palfrey, are willing to continue. Their election en-bloc is proposed.

The form received 44 responses, all of which were validated against the members' emails, representing a 34% response rate. Constitutionally the Annual General Meeting is deemed quorate with 10% of members present.

The responses to each proposal are detailed below:

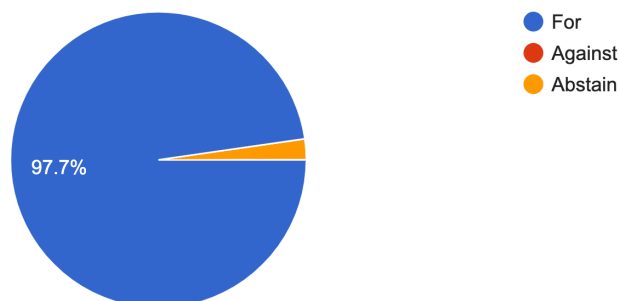
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44 responses



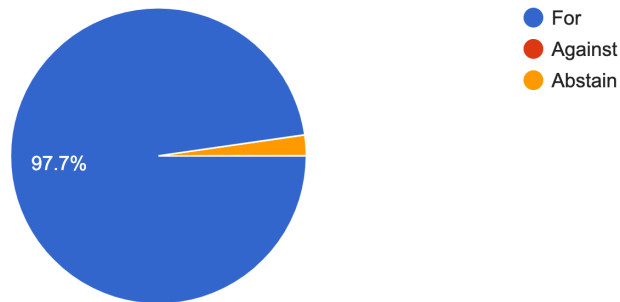
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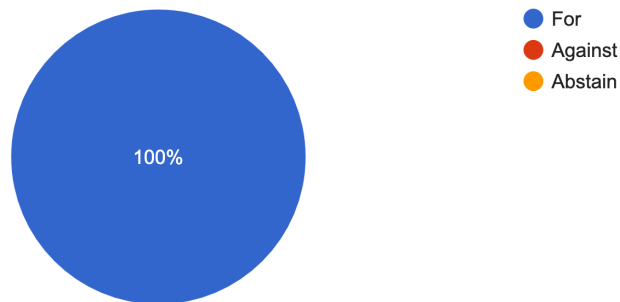
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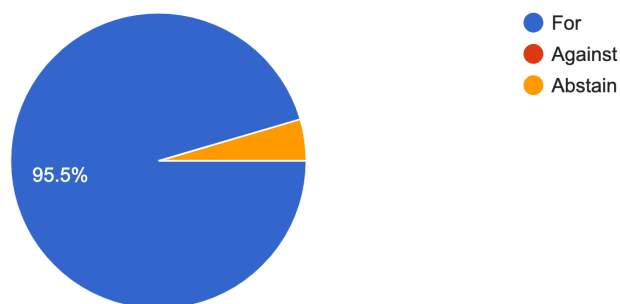
Subscriptions for the year 2020-2021

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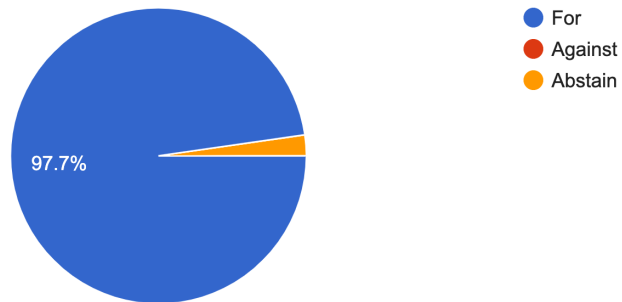
Election of President and Vice-presidents

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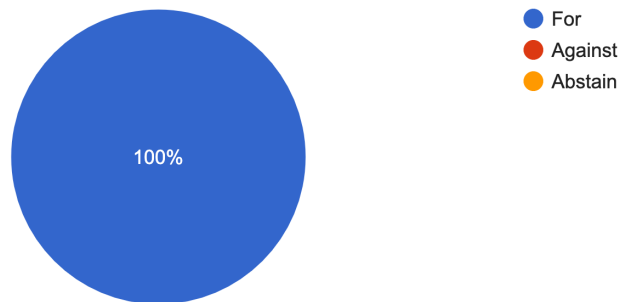
Election of Officers

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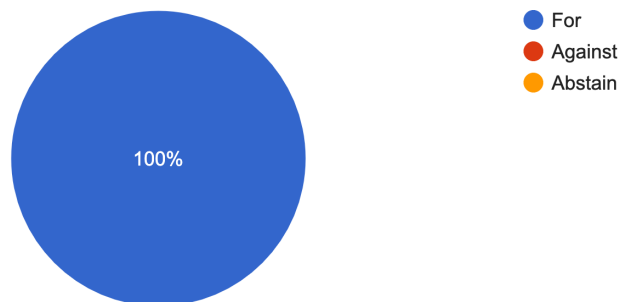
Election of Committee Members

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Election of Auditors

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Simon Temlett

On behalf of the Scarborough Archaeological and Historical Society

1st May 2020