

THE ARTS SOCIETY OUNDLE
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
held on Friday 20th September 2019
at 10.30 a.m.
at Barnwell Village Hall



The Chair, Nigel Harper, welcomed all members to the AGM.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Anne and John Bowers; Joan Catherall; Vanessa Donaldson; Penelope Escombe; Janet Firminger; Frances Hole; Peter and Ann Joseph; Erica Kendall; Sue Macleod; Jane Morris; Ian and Hilary Mungall; Diana Redward; Angela Roberts; Judith and Ron Smith; Carew Trefgarne; Jennifer Watts-Russell; David and Janice West; Sandy Whittingdale; Dennis Wynn

2. THE MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 21st SEPTEMBER 2018

The minutes had been circulated to members prior to the meeting and the Chair asked for their approval. This was proposed by Agris Kumins and seconded by Jan Houghton. The Chair thanked the Proposer and the Secunder. All members voted in favour. The minutes were signed by the Chair at the end of the meeting.

5 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

6. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS OF THE SOCIETY AND THE TREASURER'S REPORT

The Chair asked for the Accounts to be approved. This was proposed by Nick Houghton and seconded by Tansi Harper. The Chair thanked the Proposer and the Secunder. All members voted in favour. On behalf of all members, the Chair thanked Stefan Pijanowski for all his hard work in the preparation of the accounts.

7. ELECTION OF FINANCIAL EXAMINER OF THE ACCOUNTS

Under the Constitution, the Society must appoint an independent Financial Examiner. Chris Cooper had indicated his willingness to continue in this role. The Chair thanked him for his excellent work in handling the Society's finances. All members voted in favour of his re-appointment.

8. COMMITTEE REPORT PREPARED BY THE CHAIR

As the Newsletter had been previously circulated to all members, the Chair proposed to take this as read.

9. TO CONSIDER ANY RESOLUTIONS FOR WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

No resolutions had been received.

10. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Chair thanked all members of the Committee for their unstinting commitment during the year.

This year there were two members of the Committee who were retiring: Carol Ankers (Arts in the Community); Sylvia Woodhead (Secretary) The Chair thanked Carol Ankers for her excellent work in moving the role from Young Arts to Arts in the Community. Evidence of the projects supported could be seen on the information board in the hall. He also thanked Sylvia Woodhead for being such an efficient and supportive secretary. She had mentored Lidia Douglas, who had now taken over the secretarial role. However, the Chair emphasised the need for new members to come forward to continue the good work of the Committee in ensuring the high standards of the lectures and work of the branch. He had already served as Chair for 3 years and had offered to continue for another year but it was important to prepare for a replacement. He was very happy to welcome Chris Cooke who had taken on the role of Church Trails Representative but there was still need for a replacement for a representative for Arts in the Community

The Chair then introduced the following Officers of the Committee who had agreed to serve for the following year, if the members so wished:

Nigel Harper as Chair and Church Recording

Lidia Douglas as Honorary Secretary

Stefan Pijanowski as Honorary Treasurer and IT Consultant

Tony Bachelor as Membership Secretary

Gunta Kumins and Erica Kendall as Programme Planners

Sandy Cooke and Charles Cornford as Events Secretaries

Barney Broadbent with responsibility for Special Projects.

Chris Cooke who will be dealing with Church Trails

All members voted in favour of their re-election.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business

Signed:

Dated: