



Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting

held at Jubilee Hall, Parsonage Lane, Enfield on 23 September 2021 at 8 pm

1. **Chairman's introduction:** Dave Cockle took the chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He noted that a quorum of members was present.
The Secretary noted that, unlike last year's meeting, only those present in person counted as present for legal purposes, even though a number of members were watching the meeting by Zoom.

2. **Apologies for absence:** The Secretary read out a list of apologies received.

3. **Minutes of 2020 Annual General Meeting:** These were read by the Secretary, Richard Stones and a Resolution to approve them as a true record was carried with no objections.

4. **Report of the Management Committee and Accounts:** In the absence of the Treasurer the Secretary commented briefly on the Accounts. He thanked Ann Mathias and her colleagues at Moore Stephens for the support they had given in preparing the Accounts. He confirmed that the Statutory Reports and Accounts for 2020 had been completed and examined, and that an abbreviated version of the Management Committee Report and a Summary Financial Statement for the year had been sent to every member. Full sets of the statutory accounts were available on the TES website, and paper copies from the Secretary.

A resolution that "the Report of the Management Committee and the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020 be received" was carried with no objections.

5. **Re-election of Hon. Secretary:** The Chairman reported that Richard Stones was willing to continue as Honorary Secretary.

The resolution that "Richard Stones be re-elected Honorary Secretary of the Society" was carried with no objections.

6. **Re-election of the Treasurer:** The Chairman reported that Tony Foster was willing to continue as Treasurer.

The resolution that "Tony Foster be re-elected Treasurer of the Society" was carried with no objections

7. **Re-election of Management Committee members:** The Chairman noted that the rules on membership of the Management Committee stated that one third retire annually and could stand for re-election. Those retiring by rotation this year were Stephen Gilbert, Janet McQueen, Anne Osborne, John West and Bill Wilson

Janet, Anne and Bill were not seeking re-election. The Chairman said that we were extremely grateful for all their input while they had been on the Committee, and we were delighted that Janet would continue to manage Jubilee Hall and Bill would continue to be active in the Architecture and Planning Group.

Stephen Gilbert and John West had both confirmed that they wished to stand for re-election.

The resolutions that "Stephen Gilbert" and "John West be re-elected as Trustees of the Society" were carried in each case with no objections

8. **Election of additional members to the Management Committee:** The Chairman noted that since the last AGM the Management Committee had made three co-options:

- Sue Grayson Ford, who was a London Blue Badge Guide and had extensive experience of campaigning. Since her arrival on the Committee she had been leading our opposition to the proposals for the redevelopment of the Palace Gardens Shopping Centre;
- Jan Metcalfe, who had recently retired as Museum Officer with the Borough of Enfield; and
- Philip Page, who brought a wealth of experience of working in and dealing with local government and had spent time with the Audit Commission.

All of them wish to be considered for election by this meeting and the Management Committee recommended that they should be elected as Trustees of the Society.

The three resolutions that "Sue Grayson Ford", "Jan Metcalfe" and "Philip Page be elected as Trustees of the Society" were carried in each case with no objections.

9. **Amendment to the Society's Articles of Association:** The Secretary explained that it had been the Society's practice for many years only to provide hard copies of the full statutory reports and accounts to members who request them. This saved postage and printing costs and the Secretary was not aware of anyone ever asking for hard copies. The Management Committee would like to make sure that this practice was properly reflected in our constitution.

To do this the Management Committee proposed to amend the Society's Articles of Association to allow the Society to provide such documents to members by posting them on its website. The Society would still be required to tell members that it was

publishing any document on the website, and members would be entitled by law to require the Society to send them a hard copy if they wished.

The Secretary proposed the following Resolution as a Special Resolution

- “That the Articles of Association of the Society be amended by the insertion of the following new Article 58A following Article 58
- ‘58A To the extent permitted by the Companies Act 2006 and subject to any relevant conditions contained in that Act, the Company may supply documents to its members by making them available on a website.’”

The resolution was passed with no objection.

10. **Chairman’s Report:** The Chairman reported on some of the matters which the Society had been involved in during the year.

11. **Other Business and Questions:** The Chairman responded to questions submitted by members.

Colin Pointer thanked John West and others for their work on our submission to the consultation on the Local Plan. This was endorsed by acclamation.

There being no other business The Chairman declared the Annual General Meeting closed.

Dave Cockle

Chairman