

SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE 53RD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MKNHS

HELD 8.00 PM TUESDAY 22 MARCH 2022 ON ZOOM

Officers' Combined Report

The Report was circulated to members in advance of the AGM and was read out to the meeting by the Secretary. Matt Andrews proposed the approval of the Report and this was seconded by Ann Strutton. Report approved.

Annual Accounts 2021: Treasurer's Report

For 2021 total income was £3682.56 and expenditure £1351.23.

At the end of 2021, the Society had a total of £9004.83 in its accounts. The Gordon Osborn Bequest Fund (GOBF) had a total of £3223.34. The amount available from the GOBF fund for projects is £489.46. The £9004.83 total is higher than usual as there were for example, no payments for the hire of the Cruck Barn.

Joe Clinch thanked Linda for her Report and proposed the adoption of the Annual Accounts 2021 - Treasurer's Report, seconded by Jenny Mercer. Resolution approved.

The Treasurer thanked Ann Strutton Examiner for scrutinising the accounts and for assisting in the preparation of the end of year report.

Election of Officers

President: Roy Maycock proposed by Matt Andrews, seconded by Julie Lane. Roy Maycock duly elected.

Vice-president: Martin Kincaid, proposed by Di Parsons and seconded by Jenny Mercer. Martin Kincaid duly elected.

Vice -president: Julie Lane, proposed by Mike LeRoy and seconded by Viola Read. Julie Lane duly elected.

Chair: Matt Andrews Chair: two year term ends at the AGM in 2023.

Treasurer: Linda Murphy proposed by Tim Arnold and seconded by Julie Lane. Linda Murphy duly elected.

Secretary: Mervyn Dobbin proposed by Matt Andrews and seconded by Julie Lane. Mervyn Dobbin duly elected.

Election of Other Committee Members

There was one candidate for the four vacancies on the Committee: Charles Kessler.

Matt Andrews thanked the Committee Members for the work that they had been doing over the past year on behalf of the Society's Members.

The Committee is now: Matt Andrews, Roy Maycock, Linda Murphy, Paul Lund, Colin Docketty, Rebecca Hiorns, Martin Kincaid, Mervyn Dobbin, Julie Lane, Di Parsons, Martine Harvey, Charles Kessler.

Comments by the Chairman Matt Andrews

Matt thanked Members in the following ways:

Meeting on Zoom: He thanked Members for being willing to meet on Zoom but he was hopeful that we will be able to return to the Cruck Barn in September.

Society Website: He thanked Rebecca Hiorns and Martin Ferns for their work on the Society's website.

Weekend Nature Walks: He thanked Colin Docketty for arranging the popular weekend nature walks.

Summer Programme 2022: He thanked Di Parsons and Martin Kincaid for putting together the Summer Programme and other Committee Members who had contributed to the plans.

Matt also commented on the following matters:

GOBF: Finance is available for natural history projects. Julie Lane is willing to be contacted in the first instance, by any Members interested in applying. It was suggested by a Member that John Prince's dormouse project could be helped by the fund.

New Members: Matt was pleased to see the increase in membership since last year and along with other Members who commented on the issue, he would like us to attract younger members.

Mervyn Dobbin Secretary