

THE WHITCHURCH WATERWAY TRUST

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MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Held at the Dodington Lodge Hotel, Whitchurch on 15th March 2017

1. **Apologies for Absence :**

M Byrne, D & K White, C Butler, I MacTavish, A Marlow, K Priddy, J Mortimer, K Green, J Burton

2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting :**

Lindsay Green proposed that the Minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting, seconded by Ray Hatton, carried and duly signed by Chairman B W Young

3. **Matters Arising from that Meeting :**

No matters arising

4. **Annual Company Report :**

The Chairman, Bill Young, indicated that there was progress, but due to technical difficulties the work had been delayed on Stage 1 of the project, for which we have received a grant, but the work would be completed within the revised dates. He also thanked Helen Brockman for her work and was saddened by her departure for personal reasons, and expressed sincere thanks for her hard work. In addition he appealed for a volunteer for the position of Secretary to the Trust although the job is being split up to ease the extent of the work.

5. **Treasurer's Report :**

Ray Hatton indicated the Trust is financially sound, although experiencing some horrendous expenses, he explained the way the grant system for payments etc could cause cash flow problems at times. It was proposed by Joan Crump, seconded by Bob Sumner that the Treasurer's Report be accepted, this was carried.

6. **Election of Independent Examiner :**

Ray Hatton proposed that Peter Lawrence from Hall Livesey Brown be elected, seconded by Joan Crump, subject to the approval of Hall Livesey Brown.

7. Election of Trustees/Directors :

Trustees retiring and seeking re-election were : Ray Hatton and

- a) To re-elect Ray Hatton, proposed by Joan Crump and seconded by Peter Wagstaffe, carried unanimously
- b) To re-elect Bob Sumner, proposed by Dave Smith and seconded by Lindsay Green, carried unanimously
- c) To elect Paul Radcliffe who was co-opted during the year to join the committee, proposed by Bob Sumner and seconded by Joan Crump, carried unanimously
- d) Additionally with Helen Brockman stepping down, she was also the IWA representative and Mr B Aylwin offered and was accepted to be our representative

8. Report on Basin Progress :

David Torrens gave a rundown of what was happening in respect of the current grant and the new information boards that are to be erected

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Following the meeting one of the attendees asked if we could have more litter bins which the committee will investigate.

In addition a very interesting talk and slide show was given on Meres and Mosses by Peter McKeon