



SOMERSET ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The 2019 Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 11th May at Tintinhull Village Hall

MINUTES

Members present: David Baker (Trustee), Anthony Bruce, Robin Cloke, Betty Cloke, June Cummings, Martin Davidson (Trustee), Louisa Gillett (Office Manager), Sue Goodman, William Hancock, Robert Hutchings (Trustee), Chris Jessop (Chair), Julian Orbach (President), John Page, Anthony Porter (Amherst and Shapland), David Reid (Trustee), David Roberts, Madelaine Roberts, Tom Winsborough (Trustee), David Hawkings, David Victor (Trustee), Denny Roberts, David Bromwich, Marilyn Smith, Carol Dimmer, Paddy Thompson, J W Hart, N Jimenez Hart, Nigel Pearce, John Tonnjon (29)

The meeting started at 10.30

1. **Welcome by the Chairman of the meeting**

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting.

2. **Apologies for absence**

Dame Elizabeth Gass, Alan Cotton, Mary Siraut, Bob Croft, Steve Parker, Philip Radford, Karen Turvey, Susan Lethbridge, John Matthews, Adrian Webb, Max & Felicity Hebditch

INDUCTIONS

3. **Induction of Dame Elizabeth Gass as President of SANHS 2019/2020**

Chris Jessop formally inducted Dame Elizabeth Gass as SANHS President and spoke of her longstanding links to Somerset and the Society. The meeting welcomed Dame Elizabeth as the new SANHS President.

Induction of Julian Orbach and Pat Wolseley as Vice-Presidents of SANHS 2019/2020

Chris Jessop formally inducted Julian Orbach and Pat Wolseley as Vice-Presidents and thanked them for their involvement with SANHS over the past years.

MINUTES

4. **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting dated 12th May 2018**

The Minutes were put to the AGM for approval. The Minutes were approved by the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

5. **Chairman's Report for 2018**

The Chair gave an expanded version of her report which had been previously circulated.

5.1 Induction of Life Member

The Chairman acknowledged the years of dedication and hard work given to the Society by Mary Siraut, as Proceedings Editor, and as a SANHS volunteer. In recognition of this Mary was given Life membership of SANHS.

6. **Annual Report and Accounts for 2018**

David Victor spoke to the Annual Accounts. The Annual Report and Annual Accounts were proposed by David Victor and seconded by David Baker and adopted by the meeting.

7. **Report of the Heritage Grants Committee 2018**

David Dawson was not at the meeting. There were no questions for the report.

ELECTIONS

8. **Election of Trustees to the Board**

The following trustees were elected to the Board:

Martin Davidson and Chris Chanter both extended their service as trustees for a further three years until AGM 2023. Sue Goodman and Tom Winsborough were elected as trustees from 2019 until 2023.

Proposed by Robert Hutchings, seconded by Betty Cloke and adopted by the meeting.

9. **Appointment of Executive Officers for the period 2019/2020**

The following Executive Officers were elected:

Chairman: Chris Jessop
Honorary Secretary: Tom Winsborough
Vice-Chairman: Martin Davidson

David Victor retired as Hon. Treasurer and the position is now vacant.

Proposed by John Page, seconded by Carol Dimmer and adopted by the meeting.

10. **Election of committee members**

Committee members were elected *en block*.

Proposed by Julian Orbach, seconded by William Hancock and adopted by the meeting.

11. **Confirmation of Appointment of Independent Financial Examiner**

Anthony Porter was late for the meeting. He was appointed as IFE in his absence.

12. **Appointment of Honorary Librarian**

David Bromwich was appointed as Hon. Librarian.

13. **Appointment of Deputy Honorary Librarian**

Sue Goodman was appointed as Deputy Hon. Librarian.

14. **Appointment of Honorary Editor of Proceedings**

Mary Siraut was appointed as Editor of Proceedings until October 2019, at which time she will be replaced by Robert Webley.

REPORTS ON SUBJECT COMMITTEES, COLLECTIONS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

All reports taken as read.

AOB: None

The meeting closed at 11:10

The meeting was followed by a talk given by David Victor on the state of the Society's finances. This was followed by a talk given by Martin Davidson on the Norman Garden project.

After lunch, Julian Orbach lead a guided walk around Tintinhull.