



**Annual General Meeting
Held by Zoom
16 November 2023, 19.00**

The meeting opened at 19.00 with Simon Duke in the Chair. 45 members attended, plus 10 board members.

1. Minutes of the AGM held on 17 November 2022 were proposed by T Dragadze and seconded by D Crawford. Approved - **For 89%, Against 0, Abstain 11%** (as a % of those voting)
2. The Chair's report was received.
3. The Treasurer's report for the year to 30 June 2023 was endorsed and the accounts to the year ending 30 June 2023 were adopted – proposed by O Smith and seconded by G Megaw. Adopted - **For 91%, Against 0, Abstain 9%** (as a % of those voting)
4. Election update

Marisa Cardoni, the Independent Scrutineer, outlined the process for nominations for election to the Trust Board, which had been open to applicants from November 1st to November 15th. Five Board positions were vacant. Following the completion of the nomination process, four Trust members have been properly nominated and seconded for the Board positions:

- Jerry Cope
- Hayley Davison
- Jakub Krupa
- Steve Nicholson

It will therefore not be necessary to run a ballot, and the 4 nominees above are duly elected for a 3-year term. Marisa Cardoni confirmed that the process had been run in line with Trust rules.

5. Life Members

Simon Duke highlighted that Tom Greatrex and Dan Crawford had therefore decided to stand down from the board. Tom had been very instrumental in setting up the Trust and ensuring the success of the Back To The Cottage campaign. Dan had helped the Trust in many roles over a long period. Simon thanked both Tom and Dan on behalf of the Trust and announced that the Trust board had determined to offer them both life membership of the Trust in recognition of their tremendous service.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.18.