

Hampton in Arden Society

Minutes of the 54th General Meeting

Thursday 10th November 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Fentham Hall

1. Apologies: Sara Carson, Sandy and Ian Wasse, Peter Morris, Carol Betts, Roger Shinton

Members present: 44

2. Minutes of the 2021 AGM were seen and approved by the committee and will be posted on the Society's website after the AGM. An Erratum on the Minutes was that the name of the Deputy Chair was written as Vicky Hilton and should have been Vicky Simkin.

3. Treasurer's Report and Accounts. The Accounts for the 21-22 financial year were prepared by Julia Dobbs and signed by the Chair (Victoria Woodall) and Treasurer (Julia Dobbs) and the report. Julia delivered the report at the meeting. The Chair thanked her for her report.

Thanks were given to the Shopkeepers in Hampton for their support in selling tickets, putting up posters and supplying refreshments.

The expense have increased since the previous year as we are now back to face to face meetings necessitating room hire costs again.

Overall surplus for the year of £558. Reserves of £16,157. These are held for future projects which might include support for legal issues around planning applications if needed.

4. Chairman's Report: Victoria Woodall. Vicky presented her report.

Thanks was given to all the volunteers on the Committee.

The **Conservation Group** is affiliated to the Hampton In Arden Society.

The sad passing this year of Dave Grimshaw the tireless leader of the Conservation group was noted.

The reformed Conservation group is carrying on Dave's work and is doing well and have an active Facebook group. Work includes the Spinney, Ponds and wildflower meadow as well as other projects around the village. Volunteers are welcome to help them. Log Habitats have been created-please do not move them!

A summary of the Society's activities **Programme** over the previous year was given.

March-Freshers Fair 'Life after Lockdown'. This was a big success with almost 40 clubs/societies and small community related businesses attending.

May Day walk-many new faces came along

Village Social -June -Curry, drinks and band. Also a big success.

History Group Talk in September on the Missing Broke's Brass in Hampton Church

Planning matters-the society's work in addressing and scrutinising these was reported. Feedback was given to the Parish Council and SMBC on planning affecting the whole village.

HS2 representation at the HS2 liaison committee - Ken Blanch

Meetings and regular contact with the HS2 and BBV engagements teams

Trees and recent new TPO's were commented on.

Chestnut's Farm retrospective planning applications had been an issue of importance this year.

Currently the application for the development of the land to the rear of 86 Meriden Road is being followed closely.

The airport, HS2, M42 link road, the new MSA, HS2 and Armac are under constant review.

Airport representation -Janet Hilton

Vicky mentioned that airport noise has increased and if anyone has any issues to let us now.

Diddington Lane trees and hedgerow destruction commented on and the error by HS2 sub contractors. People in the village were invited to raise issues with the committee.

Traffic -support given to the PC traffic calming measures. Phase 2 of the traffic calming starting early in the NY

History Group-also an affiliated group with the HSOC. This runs successful lectures and holds the village archive. Invites for memorabilia requested.

The binding of the Church Chronicle was mentioned.

Short summary of projects the HSOC has donated money to was given.

5. Election of officers.

The Officers, Victoria Woodall (Chair), Lesley Cable (Vice Chair) and Sarah White (Secretary) were re-elected. Nominated by Sharon Read, Seconded by Mei France.

A new Officer John Gillies (Treasurer) was elected. Nominated by Evan Grant, Seconded by Kathy Horsburgh

A new committee member was elected in her absence, Karen Wood. Nominated by Kathy Horsburgh, Seconded by Carol Grant.

6. AOB. Thanks and flowers given to Julia and Mike Blomer who have both stepped down off the committee this year after long and dedicated service. We thank them both and they will be much missed.

The meeting was closed at 8 pm.