Minutes of Old Retfordians Association 2021 AGM 20-04-2022

Present were:-

David Waterfield 1956-62, <u>Ged Moss 1977-84</u>, <u>Peter Holdsworth 1955-62</u>, Peter Skelton 1964-72, Simon Hart 1969-74, Jack Barber 1955-63, John Dernie 1955-62, Phil Towler 1955-61, Robert Ilett 1948-54, Dan Needham 1953-60, John Brooke 1955-62, Jonty Connor 1956-62, David Guy 1070-77.

Apologies were received from:-

Tom Oxley 1956-63, Stephen Hill 1964-71, Steve Barton 1956-63, John Mills 1973-80, Peter Howells 1961-66, Malcolm Lynn 1960-67, Paul Kerr 1962-66, Geoff Hughes 1060-65.

President's Report.

Membership numbers. Natural popularity among members from 50s, 60s, 70s with all details available on the website.

Events during the last 12 months from the first AGM Zoom include quarterly Zooms. Thanks to David Waterfield for facilitating those.

Unfortunately, Treasurer Edward died at Christmas. We remain indebted to Edward for setting up and administering the bank account.

Thanks to Secretary Peter for organising ORA Reunion at the Old Bell Hotel in September. A photographic record was not taken but needs to be included next time for publicity purposes.

There are 2 planned events.

- 1. KEGS 1977-84 Reunion, Friday 13th May at the West Retford Hotel. Everyone invited. 20 signed up so far.
- 2. ORA Reunion Wednesday 7th September at the Old Bell Hotel, Barnby Moor. There is now a search bar available in the comment box on the website. Comments are visible to everyone and are important to the development of the site.

Visits have been made to the Nottingham Archives and we are indebted to Tom Oxley for his ceaseless efforts and financial contributions towards the fees charged by the Archives.

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Copies of The Retfordian magazine up to 1977 are now on the on the website. It is believed that the magazine ceased to publish at that time. Jonty and Phil had purchased life membership for £5 equal to£100 in today's money. Dan Needham has one copy from 1960 not so far included which he will forward.

Finally, President Ged thanked everyone for joining the Zoom calls. It was proposed by Chris Trend and seconded by Jonty Connor that the report be accepted.

Financial Report

Total income £1,850,

Closing balance £1,290.71 as of 30-3-22. There has been a further £25 part subscription from Graeme Reynolds 1973-80 plus £50 from Alan Stennett 1955-62 and Jack Barber 1955-63, bringing the balance today up to £1.365.71. It was proposed by Dan Needham and seconded by Simon Hart that these figures be accepted.

Election of Officers

- 1. President, Ged Moss, prop Peter Holdsworth, sec David Waterfield.
- 2. Vice President, Jack Barber, prop David Waterfield, sec Dan Needham.
- 3. Treasurer, Peter Skelton, prop Peter Holdsworth, seconded by Ged Moss.
- 4. Assistant Treasurer, Simon Hart, prop Peter Holdsworth, sec Ged Moss.
- 5. Secretary, Peter Holdsworth, prop Robin Williams, sec Peter Skelton.
- 6. Assistant Secretary, Chris Trend, prop Peter Skelton, sec David Guy.
- 7. Reunion Organiser, Simon Hart, prop Ged moss, sec Peter Holdsworth.
- 8. Bassetlaw Museum Liaison. Robin Williams, Robert llett co-opted onto the Committee.
- 9. Special ORA Representative. Tom Oxley co-opted onto the Committee.

Any other business.

Ged excused himself at this point as he was on holiday. He asked Secretary Peter to take over.

Jonty asked about the content at Bassetlaw Museum. Robert Ilett replied that the website has a 'fairly comprehensive' catalogue. Robert asked whether we have a budget. Secretary Peter that since Edward's untimely death, we will probably have a budget next year under Peter Skelton's stewardship, however

a budget is not required by the Constitution. Robert also asked whether we should have a Bassetlaw District Council Liaison. Robin suggested that there might be more luck with the County as they are in control of education.

It was unanimously agreed that we should have face to face AGM next year. It needs to be April. Peter Skelton suggested that it should be conducted as a Zoom. Dan suggested that such a meeting is known as a 'hybrid meeting'. David said that suitable facilities would need to be available for hybrid. David went on to say that he was not expert in hybrid meetings, but suggested meal should be included as people would have to travel long distances to attend. Secretary Peter suggested investigating Old Bell as they do both conference and banqueting. Peter also recalled an IT expert. Robin said that he also uses Team as an alternative to Zoom.

Re: Responsibility to investigate. Chris and Simon volunteered to help.

Dan suggested proxy votes for quorum. Having looked at the Constitution Secretary Peter agreed discovered that proxy votes need to be notified to the Secretary in advance. It was suggested that the end of April would be a suitable time for the next AGM to avoid Easter.

Meeting closed at 8-38pm.

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