

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Gosport Museum

Wednesday 15 May 2019 7pm SEARCH

1. Apologies: Doreen Robinson, Brenda Whiteley

Present: Maggie Ventham, Ian Jeffery, David Moore, Linda Hedley, Bob Whiteley, Sydney Aynsworth, Mary Duly, David Turner, Dot Bedenham, Wendy Redman

2. The minutes of the AGM held on 17 May 2018 were read. Report accepted, proposed by Sydney, seconded by Mary, and signed by the chairman.

3. Matters Arising: The possibility for spending money on a screen like the one in the Alver Room in the Discovery Centre was raised.

4. Chairman's Report: see file copy. Wendy pointed out that she wasn't appointed until February.

5. Secretary's Report: the Secretary reported that four committee meetings had been held in 2018. He had had an email from BAFM which suggested that we had paid the subscription for 2019 – this is a mistake as we have not paid. He suggested that one point in the data processing could be wrong. It related to the payment by couples which should have been done individually. IAN TO CHECK THIS POINT FOR DOT!

6. Treasurer's Report: income for the year £152, expenditure zero, balance £55, 185.71. Report accepted, proposed by Sydney and seconded by David Turner

7. Membership Secretary's Report: there were 27 members at the end of the last year and 22 members so far this year. It was agreed that we would make a push for members at the 'Pop-up museum' to be held as a contribution to Gosport Heritage Open Days in September. This will be held at SEARCH over several days with the aid of volunteers

8. Newsletter Editor's Report: nine newsletters are now sent to addresses rather than emailed. No feedback has been received relating to the two newsletters which were in memory of deceased members Joan Russell and Margaret Roberts.

9. Venue Manager's Report: there have been many developments at SEARCH. Katie Andrews has been employed as Visitor Services Assistant and Gemma Waters is soon to start as School Manager. SEARCH will now focus more on science and local history. A new local history session has been developed and five sessions have been held since March 2019.

Wendy spoke about the Trust's new ideas for the interior of the building including the museum, shop and café.

10. Election of Officers & Committee Membership: Bob Whiteley took over the meeting and, as there were no other nominations, asked for the list of nominees to be taken over en bloc. All agreed

Chairman Margaret Ventham

Vice Chairman

Treasurer David Moore

Secretary Ian Jeffery

Committee Secretary Dot Bedenham

Membership Secretary Linda Hedley

Newsletter Editor Ian Jeffery

Committee

Sydney Aynsworth

Mary Duly

David Taylor

11. AOB: there was no other business

The meeting closed at 20.00 and was followed by an excellent talk by David Moore about Gosport and D Day

Prepared by Dot Bedenham 11th June 2019

Chair

Secretary Ian Jeffery