



Wigan Local History & Heritage Society

Minutes: Annual General Meeting Monday 27th October 2021 at 7.00pm via Zoom

1. Members Present and Apologies:

There were 18 members present

Apologies received from: Tom Walsh, Julie Taylor, Lesley Price, Richard Simpson, David Fox, Sheila Ramsdale, John Richardson.

2. Minutes of 2020 AGM:

Proposed as an accurate account of the meeting by Paul Kenyon
Seconded by Lynn Sahin.

Accepted unanimously

3. Annual Report 2021

The report was prepared and circulated by the Secretary on behalf of the Chairperson.

It was agreed to amend the details regarding Derek Winstanley's presentation on The Douglas Navigation, as a work in progress.

Proposed to accept the amended report by Rita Fell
Seconded by Neil Linford.

Accepted unanimously

4. Election of Officers:

Chair – Derek Winstanley
Vice-Chair – Paul Kenyon
Treasurer – Neil Linford
Secretary – Clare Kenyon



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5. Treasurers report:

Thanks was given to Audrey Welsh for her past service as Treasurer and for standing in in the interim period up to the election of Neil Linford as Treasurer.

New signatories were agreed:

Neil Linford, Denise Walsh, Lynn Sahin

Proposal to approve the new signatories was made by Pam Thomas

Seconded by Audrey Welsh

Approved unanimously.

6. Subscriptions:

An annual subscription of £10 will start in November 2021 through to September 2022.

Passed unanimously.

7. Constitution:

The constitution was circulated and reviewed and it will be updated to reflect the decision to have a one off annual payment of £10, and to remove the decision taken in September 2020 - 2021 to suspend all subscriptions throughout the period of the pandemic restrictions.

8. Future Meetings and Events:

Following a lengthy discussion, about the format of future meetings and the venue for face to face meetings coming out of lockdown, we looked at the results of a questionnaire which had been circulated to members prior to the meeting, it was proposed and agreed that a hybrid version of the questionnaire's most popular options 4 and 5 would be attempted, and that it's feasibility should be explored prior to the next presentation in November.

It was proposed and agreed that this decision would be revisited in the event that it did not work.



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It was proposed and agreed that monthly presentations will take place on the second Monday of each month, at a new venue, The Real Crafty in Wigan Town Centre.

It was proposed and agreed that all members' meetings will be held via Zoom on the third Monday of each month.

Agreed unanimously

10. Any other Business:

A discussion took place with suggestions for future presentations.

Richard Simpson will give a talk on Sir Francis Sharp Powell in November.

The December meeting will be a Christmas party with individual picnic style buffet boxes and a Christmas quiz and raffle.

Ken Scally will be invited to entertain members during the intervals.

The Secretary will enquire if Ashley will do a presentation on Roman Wigan in the new year.

It was suggested we set up a members events and trips committee.