



# Gosport Society

Registered as Charity No. 289942

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 14 June 2017 At 19.30 at the Discovery Centre Gosport

The meeting was formally opened by Diane Furlong, deputising for the Mayor.

**Item 1 – Welcome:** Louis Murray welcomed everyone and thanked members for their loyalty.

**Item 2 – Apologies:** Brian Carter, Alan Cooper, Sue & Chris Stevens, Derek Coombes, Hazel Casey, Jean Winton, Mrs. Christina Shurrock, Lesley and Richard Baker-Jones, Admiral Whetstone, Margaret Ladd, Jan Windsor.

### **Item 3 – Minutes of the last AGM (8 June 2016):**

3.1 Louis Murray requested approval of the Minutes as an accurate record. Proposed by Philippa Dickinson; seconded by Tricia Coombes. Approved.

### **Item 4 – Acting Chairman’s Report (Louis Murray)**

4.1 Louis read his report to the meeting. Copy attached.

### **Item 5 – Honorary Treasurer’s Report (Sue Blower)**

5.1 Sue Blower presented her accounts for the year 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017.

Income: £4343

Total Expenditure: £4282

Inspected and signed off by Doreen Pladdys.

5.2 The Income & Expenditure Report was inspected independently. Copies included in AGM email and hard copies were available at the AGM.

5.3 Following requests from the Committee last year after AGM, “Gifts’ are now shown separately under expenditure 2016/17.

5.4 There were no questions about the report.

5.5 Comments have been received from members regarding payment and cashing of cheques. This is often because cheques for trips or events are kept until there are sufficient numbers for the event to happen. Should there be insufficient numbers, cheques can easily be returned. Sue also works and tries to perform her treasurer role as efficiently as possible. However, occasionally there may be a delay in cashing cheques due to pressure of work schedules.

## **Item 6 – Election of Chairman and Officers:**

6.1 The nominations were as follows:

| <b>Office</b>        | <b>Candidate</b> | <b>Initials</b> | <b>Proposer</b> | <b>Seconder</b> |
|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Chairman             | Louis Murray     | LM              | Joyce Upperton  | Malcolm Stevens |
| Vice Chairman        |                  |                 |                 |                 |
| Honorary Treasurer   | Sue Blower       | SB              | Diane Furlong   | Joyce Upperton  |
| Membership Secretary | Sue Cook         | SC              | Malcolm Stevens | Kevin Casey     |
| Honorary Secretary   |                  |                 |                 |                 |
| Minutes Secretary    | Sue Courtney     | Sue C           | Diane Furlong   | Louis Murray    |

There being no other nominations and no objections, the Chair and Officers were re-elected by a show of hands.

## **Item 7 – Election of Committee:**

7.1 Many members of the committee were willing to continue:

Malcolm Stevens, Phillipa Dickinson, Brian Mansbridge, Howard Bennett, Adrian Knight, Kevin Casey, Alan Scard.

Proposed these members be re-elected en bloc. Approved.

7.2 Members standing down: Paul Hutton-Dunton, Joyce Upperton. Diane Furlong wishes to relinquish secretarial duties due to mayoral duties, but will continue on the committee.

## **Item 8 – Special Presentations**

8.1 Special presentations were given to the following members:

Doreen Pladdys – Honorarium of £100 for her work auditing books.

Adrian Knight – a founding father of the Gosport Society and member for 40+ years. Presented with an ‘air plant’ as aide memoire of his role.

Joyce Upperton – Honorary Vice President for Life. Presented with certificate signed by Chair & Mayors representative.

Paul Hutton-Dunton – Thanks for all his work for the society and prayers and best wishes for his successful rehabilitation.

## **Item 9 – AOB**

9.1 On 11<sup>th</sup> July Howard will be unveiling a blue plaque in Crescent Road, Alverstoke to commemorate Lord Wakefield.

The Mayors representative formally closed the meeting at 19:56. The meeting was followed by an interesting talk by John Bevan on Operation Tadpole. The evening ended at 2130.