



# Gosport Society

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Dear Gosport Society Member,

The Society was advised last week that the Discovery Centre will be closed from 4 June 2018 for a period of six weeks to enable remodelling work to be carried out. We were given no prior warning and consequently the arrangements for the AGM and scheduled talk in the Centre on 13 June 2018 have had to be changed at short notice. We have been offered the use of Elson Library which has available the equipment needed for the talk and is of sufficient size to meet our normal attendance numbers. We apologise for any inconvenience that the change in venue may cause. If you have any particular difficulty, then please let me know and we will see what we can do.

As announced at the May meeting, the AGM part of the evening will commence promptly at 7.15pm and will be followed by a presentation on "The Naval Division on the Western Front in World War I" by Lt. Cdr. Alex Manning MA RN (Retd.) We are delighted that our President, the Mayor of Gosport, Cllr. Diane Furlong will be attending the meeting. I have enclosed an Agenda and the 2017 AGM Minutes and financial summary will be posted on the website prior to the AGM

We announced in the Spring Newsletter, that a new Gosport Society Committee will be elected during the AGM. All four "officer" positions are open to election: (1) Chair, (2) Deputy Chair, (3) Honorary Secretary and (4) Honorary Treasurer. It is vital that a full committee (of not less than six members) is elected at the AGM in order that we can continue fill the important roles of planning, membership, social and minute secretaries, talk organiser as well as those members without portfolio. Nominations for any position may be made by subscription-paid Society members. Nominations must be proposed and seconded in writing and be supplied to me by Wednesday 30 May either by email or letter (details below).

Once again apologies for the change in arrangements and we hope this does not deter you from attending what I am sure will be an interesting AGM and presentation.

Yours faithfully,

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