



NEWBURY & DISTRICT ORGANISTS' ASSOCIATION



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

held on

Saturday 25th February 2023 at 3.00pm at St. John the Evangelist, Newbury

- 1. Present:** Steve Bowey, Hugh Cobbe, Alistair Davis, Rosemary Evans, Richard Foster, Lucy Glinn, Andy Grace, Julian Greaves, Carolyn Greenwood, Peter Greenwood, Julian Holloway, Pat Legg, Frances Lofthouse, Gillian Lovett, Olive Maines, David Oats, John Pynn, Christopher Sears, Ann Turner.
- 2. Welcome:** Julian Holloway (Chair) welcomed everyone to the AGM.
- 3. Apologies for Absence:** Gillian Blythman, Helen & David Bomgardner, Andrew Cox, Chris Doyle, Stephen & Wendy Holmes, Eric Shepherd, David & Toby Wright.
- 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** These were duly signed as a true reflection of the meeting. Proposed: Ann Turner; seconded: Pat Legg. Passed unanimously.
- 5. Matters Arising:** None were forthcoming.
- 6. Chairman's Report:** Report was circulated.
- 7. Hon. Secretary's Report:** Report was circulated.
- 8. Hon. Treasurer's Report:** Report was circulated.
 - a) Acceptance of the Annual Accounts:** The accounts for 2022 were accepted. Proposed: Andy Grace; Seconded: Steve Bowey. Passed unanimously.
 - b) Subscription Ratification:** The subscription will remain the same in 2024. Proposed: Rosemary Evans; seconded: John Pynn. Passed unanimously.
- 9. Hon. Membership Secretary's Report:** Report was circulated.
- 10. Hon. Webmaster's Report:** No report.

11. Election of Officer's and Committee Members: All were elected unanimously. Christopher Sears oversaw the election of Chairman, after which Julian Holloway returned to the Chair.

Chairman: Julian Holloway - Proposed: Ann Turner; seconded: Rosemary Evans.

Hon. Secretary: Christopher Sears - Proposed: Rosemary Evans; seconded: Richard Foster.

Hon. Treasurer: David Oats - Proposed: Ann Turner; seconded: Steve Bowie.

Hon. Membership Secretary: John Pynn - Proposed: David Oates; seconded: Lucy Glinn.

Hon. Webmaster: Andy Stancliffe having resigned, there was no-one forthcoming. However, Richard Foster kindly volunteered to oversee the website for a few months and give the Chairman & Hon. Secretary training into operating it. This arrangement was proposed by Ann Turner and seconded by Pat Legg.

Committee Members: Gill Blythman, Steve Bowey, Andrew Cox, Rosemary Evans, Clive Grant - Proposed: David Oats; seconded: Ann Turner.

12. Appointment of Independent Examiner: Roger O' Callaghan was appointed as independent examiner for 2023 - Proposed: David Oats; seconded: Andy Grace.

13. Any Other Business: Rosemary Evans asked that members check that they have been receiving the IAO Newsheet by e-mail.

She urged interested members to sign up soon for the London Organ Day on 11th March.

Richard Foster gave an update on the organ at Thatcham. It will need around 140K to restore it, some of which has already been raised. Being an original Gray & Davidson, there may be some historic lottery funding available. Members were asked to watch this space.