

M.E.R.M.S. A.G.M. Notes July 2020

Notes of Zoom Annual General Meeting held on 17th July 2020 at 7pm.

Present:

John Pape (Chair), Nigel Sylvester-Thorn (Vice), Andrew Scott (Treasurer), Robert Poet (Saw Mill), Peter Field (GWR), Bryan Luxford (Sec.), Caroline Fletcher (Membership Sec.), Gary Warren (H&S), Jane Bullivant, Joyce Field, Trevor Evans, Michael Brown, Andy Walker, Patrick Clarke and Peter Davies.

Apologies:

Jane and Murphy Austin also David Parker.

John opened the meeting by thanking all members who could be seen on his screen for attending the Zoom experience.

The Chairman's reports along with; the 2019 AGM notes, Treasurer's finances report, Saw Mill, GWR and Membership secretary's report had been circulated to all Members in advance by email. No questions, observations or communication had been received by John or Bryan to be raised at the AGM from any member regarding reports circulated.

John asked if those present at the meeting wished to raise any points from the reports, no points were raised by those present, therefore the reports were accepted.

John informed the meeting that the Belvedere Room has been booked between 25th March to 31st April for us to hold our Exhibition within these dates next year. Appropriate contacts have been made with the Naval Museum and dignitaries for the event.

John asked Patrick to inform the meeting of the current situation of our planning application as he was at the Zoom meeting. Patrick could report that we should be most optimistic of our outcome very soon.

As most of the published Agenda had been covered by the emailed reports the next item;-

Election of Officers.

Jane Bullivant proposed and Gary seconded that the Officers should all be re-elected. This was carried unanimously.

Any Other Business

Patrick proposed a vote of thanks to the Officers of the Society for their hard work over the past year.

Joyce announced that two "Coffee Mornings" had been arranged 24th April and 21st August next year.

Gary (Bunny to most of us) brought to the Society's attention that the new "Constitution and Handbook" did not have a Child Protection Policy included, this is obviously an oversight and has to be addressed.

The meeting closed at 8.12pm.