

SOMERSET ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2013

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOMERSET ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

Held at The Edgar Hall, Somerton at 10.00 am on Saturday 28th September 2013.

PRESENT: Tony Goverd, President, Cllr Dave Mitton, Wellington TC, and 48 individuals representing 52 Member Councils:

In attendance: Justin Robinson (County Executive Officer) and Sam Winter (County Information Officer).

The President, Mr Tony Goverd, was in the chair and welcomed members to the Meeting. Cllr Mitton paid tribute to the late Peter Lacey and a moment's silence was held in Peter's memory. Cllr Mitton drew members' attention to the reduction in numbers attending Area Meetings, which he considered important in the changing political landscape.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from 18 member councils, 1 member of the County Committee and the Vice President.

2. MINUTES OF THE 2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 29th September 2012, were approved as a correct record and signed accordingly.

3. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President:

It was proposed and unanimously agreed that Tony Goverd be re-elected President.

Vice Presidents:

It was proposed and unanimously agreed that Messrs Bishop, Lees and Raven be re-elected as Vice Presidents. This was agreed unanimously.

5. APPOINTMENT OF REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS

It was formally agreed to re-appoint Apsleys of Tiverton as Reporting Accountants for the next financial year.

6. ELECTION OF ONE REPRESENTATIVE, AND ONE DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE, TO THE COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

It was unanimously agreed that Jean Allgrove (Comeytrowe PC) be re-elected as the Association's representative to the Council of NALC, with Dave Mitton (Wellington TC) as Deputy Representative.

7. **ELECTION OF THREE REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

It was unanimously agreed that Jean Allgrove (Comeytrowe PC), and Antony Carr (Chilton Polden PC) be elected as the Association's representatives at the General Meeting of NALC. Dave Mitton stated he was not able to attend the meeting and, as one place remains available, members were encouraged to contact the office in Victoria House should they wish to attend.

8. **ELECTION OF ONE REPRESENTATIVE, AND ONE DEPUTY, TO THE SOMERSET LOCAL GOVERNMENT FORUM**

It was agreed that no formal appointment be made as the body had not met for some years.

9. **ELECTION OF ONE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SOMERSET PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION**

The representative over the last year has been Tony Shepherd of Westbury-sub-Mendip Parish Council. It was agreed that Jenny Lawrence (Ashcott) will take on the position as the Association's representative.

10. **PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2013**

Cllr Mitton (as Chairman) presented the Annual Report and the Accounts. It was noted that the net assets balance figure was incorrect. Cllr Mitton stated he would return to the accountants to have the figure corrected. With correction, it was unanimously agreed that the Annual Report and the Accounts be formally received by the Meeting and that the Minutes record the thanks of the membership, and specifically from the Management Committee, to Councillor Antony Carr for the production of the accounts.

The Meeting closed at 10.50 am.

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President 27th September 2014.