

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 2 March 2022 at 7.00pm at the Cherwell School North Site, OX2 7EE

Present

Mark Jennings (Chair) Martin Cowell (Vice-Chair) Pen Keyte (Secretary) Stephen Duhan (Treasurer) Mais Appleton, Philip Archard, Jonathan Bromley, Sally Bromley, Josey and Tony Carpenter, John Clarke, Anne Cowell, Tom Devaney, Mike Greenwood, Nigel and Debbie Hamilton, Roy and Helen Hamlet, Jocelyn Hartland-Swann, Richard and Rachel Hawes, Pamela Hutchinson-Collins, Joan and Steve Jones, Steve Logan, Iona Lennon, Donna Lennon-Sinclair, Janet McCrae and Charlotte, Kevin McFarthing, Ros McLeod-Tims, Kit Marriott, John and Bobby Maxted, Paul and Julie Mayhew-Archer, Ian and Hazel Moodey, Judy Mortier, Steve Pitson, Roy Poyser, Carolyne Recupito, Sheila Russell, Ian Sargent, Josie Taylor (NSO PUK) Carolyn Tasker, Howard Thomas, Peter Thompson, Helen Warner, Sarah and Mark Wilson, Nick Wrigley

1. Apologies

Helena Harper, John Rogers, Wendy Tyndale

2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2021

The Minutes were approved

3. Adoption of the Chair's Report

Mark reported on a year that had seen many changes for the Branch. Sally ended her very successful 6 years as Chair during which the Branch extended its reach and activities. She has taken up the role of Branch Ambassador, and was also elected to the Board of Trustees for PUK, to everyone's delight. Because of continued lockdown restrictions, many meetings and activities were held online, successfully curated by Jonathan, who has received a Volunteer Award from PUK for his services to Digital Inclusion. Mark paid tribute to the work of the Committee, thanking Nigel for engaging speakers, Martin for arranging Face to Face events, Kevin for enlightening us on the progress of research, Kit for his fundraising drives - especially the Oxford Walk, which raised the second highest amount of money for PUK in the country - Steve and Carys for their part in keeping Branch finances accurate, Sue for respite, and Paul for Head of Humour, noting that Paul received an MBE in 2021. Sadly, for health reasons Mark has decided not to stand for re-election as Chair for 2022 -23. The Chair's Report was adopted.

4. Approval of the Financial Summary for 2021

Steve presented the Financial Summary for the year ended 31 December 2021, which was printed on the back of the AGM papers. The Summary was approved.

5. Report from Working Age Group

Not presented

6. Election of Committee for 2022-23

Elected as per nominations below. Josie Taylor, Network Support Officer, PUK, took the Chair for these elections.

Position	Candidate	Proposer	Seconder
Chair	vacant		
Acting Chair and Visits and Outings Lead	Martin Cowell	Nick Wrigley	Kevin McFarthing
Secretary	Pen Keyte	Sally Bromley	Nick Wrigley
Treasurer	Stephen Duhan	Kit Marriott	Martin Cowell

Committee positions elected en-bloc

Media and publicity	Paul Mayhew-Archer	Membership Secretary	lan Sargent	
Fundraiser	Kit Marriott	Programme secretary	Nigel Hamilton	
Research advisor	Kevin McFarthing	First Steps links	lan Sargent	
Other Committee members	Sally Bromley, Jonathan Bromley, Sue Bates, Carys Redmond, David Salisbury, Mike Greenwood, Jenyth Worsley, Nick Wrigley			

7. Handover to the new Committee

Josie Taylor welcomed the new Committee and the formal meeting closed.