

**MINUTES OF THE ARTS SOCIETY LEICESTER 39<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING HELD AT THE SUE TOWNSEND THEATRE AT 7.30 PM ON  
WEDNESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022**

**1 Chairman's Opening Remarks**

Philip, in behalf of Martin, welcomed members to the meeting and said that matters would proceed as per the agenda schedule.

**2 Apologies: Martin Wragg and Nicky Drucquer**

**3 Minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

The minutes of last year's AGM were circulated with the agenda papers prior to the meeting. There were no matters arising and the members unanimously voted to adopt them.

**4 Chairman's report**

Philip noted that Martin's report had been circulated as part of the agenda papers. He noted that membership had declined. Pre-Covid we had 170 members and now we have 130. He paid tribute to all members of the committee for their commitment to the Society over the past year and on behalf of the committee he thanked the members for their support. There were no questions raised.

**5 Treasurer's Report and Adoption of the Accounts**

A detailed breakdown of budgeted costs had been circulated with the agenda papers. In his role as Treasurer Philip highlighted that as we were now returning from Zoom meetings to face-to-face meetings there would be an inevitable increase in costs and this would result in a deficit in the forthcoming year. The costs to the national Society had not been reduced. No questions were raised and the meeting voted unanimously to adopt the financial statement.

**6 Election of officers (nominated by the committee)**

The following nominations were proposed:

Chairman	Martin Wragg
Treasurer	Philip Burrell

Secretary

Maggie Dufour

The meeting unanimously approved these appointments

## **7 Election of committee**

The following nominations were proposed

Membership Secretary

Pam Spokes

Programme Secretary

Will Gilding

Publicity Officer

Nicky Drucquer

Study and Visits Organiser

Lois Pearson

These appointments were unanimously approved by the meeting.

## **8 Election of ex-officio committee members**

Heritage Volunteers' Representative Catherine Watt

Community Arts Representative

Ann Allsop

The role of Church Recorders' Representative no longer exists, but it was proposed that Diane Hall and Ann Lewis should remain on the committee.

The approval of the meeting for these appointments was unanimous.

## **9 Election of Independent Financial Examiner**

The election of Ian Penfold FCA was proposed by the committee. The meeting unanimously voted to approve this appointment.

## **10 Date of next Annual Meeting**

To be advised