

**MINUTES OF THE ARTS SOCIETY LEICESTER 40th ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING HELD AT THE SUE TOWNSEND THEATRE AT 7.30 PM ON
WEDNESDAY 25th OCTOBER 2023**

1. Chairman's Opening remarks

Martin welcomed members to the meeting and stated that matters would proceed as per the agenda schedule.

2 Apologies: None were received

3 Minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting

There were no questions arising from the minutes of last year's AGM, which were pre-circulated with the agenda papers. The meeting unanimously voted to adopt them.

4 Chairman's report

Martin highlighted that the reports were circulated as part of the agenda papers. He noted that we had enjoyed an interesting programme of lectures, two successful visits and had reintroduced a popular study day. He paid tribute to all the committee for their commitment to the society over the past year and on behalf of the committee he thanked the meeting for their support. No comments were made.

5 Treasurer's report and Adoption of Accounts

Philip presented the summarised financial reports, which had been circulated with the agenda. Membership has decreased and we must therefore face the question of raising the subscription . No questions were raised and the meeting unanimously voted to adopt the financial statement.

6 Election of Officers

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 Organisers	Lois Pearson

The approval of the meeting for these appointments was unanimous.

8 Election of ex-officio committee members

Church Recorders' Representatives	Diane Hall & Ann Lewis
Heritage Volunteers'	Catherine Watt
Community Arts	Ann Allsop

The approval of the meeting was unanimous.

9 Election of Independent Financial Examiner

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

10 Date of next annual meeting

To be advised