

SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL GROUP

MINUTES OF THE 45th AGM HELD ON 27th APRIL 2014

AT THE GORING HEATH PARISH HALL, WHITCHURCH HILL AT 2:00 pm

CHAIR Nancy Nichols

MINUTES Michael Vincent

COMMITTEE 2013-14

President	Hazel Williams	Ordinary Members	Michael Green
Vice President	Ian Clarke		Dave Jobling
Chairman	David Oliver		John Hefferan
Vice-Chairman	Nancy Nichols		Janet Eastment
Hon. Secretary	Michael Vincent		David Carless
Hon. Treasurer	Kaz Greenham		

33 members of SOAG were recorded as present

1) Welcome from the President

Hazel Williams welcomed members to the 45th Annual General Meeting, and especially any new members. She noted that Dave Oliver had resigned as Chairman and so Nancy Nichols, Vice-Chair, would chair the meeting. She would also be paying tribute at the start of the annual review to Pat Preece who had died recently.

2) Opening remarks by the Chair of the Meeting

Nancy introduced the day's agenda and confirmed that Dave Oliver was moving to Bedfordshire to be near his grandchildren, just too far away for him to continue acting as Chairman and participating fully in SOAG activities.

3) Apologies for absence

These had been received from Meg Haynes-Latham, Roelie Reed, Ken Houston, Tom Walker, Prof. Malcolm Airs, Chris Howlett, Alistair Grham-Kerr, Sue Sandford, Colin Davies, John Hefferan, Penny Kay, Kaz Greenham and Barbara East.

4) Adoption of the Minutes of the AGM held on the 21st April 2013

Proposed Mike Green Seconded Mike Fulton Adopted without dissent

5) Matters arising from the minutes of the 2013 AGM

None

6) Adoption of Reports of Officers for 2013

6.1) Chairman's Report

Proposed Dave Carless Seconded Philippa Wray Adopted without dissent

6.2) Treasurer's Report

In the absence of Kaz Greenham, who was unwell, Mike Green noted that her new style of accounts better identified the separate core admin and project finances and Mike Vincent said that she, as approved by the committee, would be depreciating significant assets from 2014 and not retaining them at purchase price.

Proposed David Nicholls Seconded Ian Clarke Adopted without dissent

7) Adoption of the examined Accounts for 2013

Proposed Ian Clarke Seconded Dave Jobling Adopted without dissent

8) Appointment of Mrs Sue Fogden as Examiner for the 2014 Accounts

Proposed Mike Vincent Seconded David Cox Adopted without dissent

9) Election of Officers for 2014-15

Nancy Nicholls asked everyone to consider whether they were, or might know anyone who could be, prepared to stand as Chairman.

Vote for the Officers as listed below Adopted without dissent

10) Election of Ordinary Committee Members for 2014-15

There was one vacancy available on the committee and an additional nomination was sought, Dr Tim Southern volunteering to fill it.

Vote for the Ordinary Members as listed below Adopted without dissent

11) Any Other Business

1. Mike Fulton wanted to make the meeting aware that Whitchurch bridge would remain closed until at least September.
2. Mike also asked why membership appeared to be falling. Membership may in fact have levelled off at a previous level: Hazel had had over 80 participants at Gatehampton in 2013, who often chose to pay visitor fees rather than join.
3. Mike Green commented that the website was the primary method for advertising and recruitment, but SOAG still needed a publicity officer.
4. Ruth Gibson said that HAHG send their newsletter to the Henley advertiser although there would be concerns at sending activity details to an outside membership. Nancy Nichols +wondered how posters could be made more widely available, and Mike Green had found that Cynthia Graham-Kerr used to send reports to local newspapers. Trevor Coombs asked if all members could be sent the annual lecture poster for them to circulate onwards to friends and appropriate bodies.

The meeting closed at 2:26 pm

COMMITTEE 2014-15

President Hazel Williams
Vice President Ian Clarke

Officers:

Chairman vacant
Vice-Chairman Nancy Nichols
Hon. Secretary Michael Vincent
Hon. Treasurer Kaz Greenham

Ordinary Members:

Michael Green
John Hefferan
Dave Jobling
Janet Eastment
David Carless
Tim Southern