



Friends of Margam Park

Minutes of AGM

Held at The Abbot's Kitchen, Margam
on Saturday 3rd of September 2022

Attendees

Suzanne Barrett, Tony Barrett, Monica Bennett, Peter Bennett, Jo Brooks, Jeanette Hamilton-Jones, Alex Harman, Robert Jones, Andrea Kennedy, Peter Lindsay Neil Mowbray, Doreen Nash, Peter Nash, Hugh Nicholas, Bill Perkins, Paul Robbins, Jane Reynolds, Tracy Robbins, Linda Short, Anne Thomas, Brian Walters, Jo Warren

Guests

Councillor Robert Jones, Councillor Dennis Keogh, Councillor Laura Williams

TB opened the meeting by welcoming our local councillors Robert Jones, Dennis Keogh, and Laura Williams

Councillor Robert Jones addressed the group which was well received.

TB Welcomed members to the meeting and thanked them for attending

The minutes of the previous AGM were approved as a true record of the meeting.

Statement of Account

A draft copy of our 2021-2022 accounts had previously been provided to all members

TR provided a brief overview of our accounts for the last year; no questions were offered by members.

Members proposed resolutions

No resolutions proposed

Organisational Structure

The structure remains the same and no changes to the Charity, apart from the names of the Trustees

Appointment of Charity Trustees

Three trustees decided to step down during the last seven months, Max Beaumont, Beverley Carver, and Lisa Roberts.

Existing trustees were asked if they wished to re-stand.

Tony Barrett	Chairperson	Reappointed for a term of 2 years
Doreen Nash	Vice Chairperson	Reappointed for a term of 2 years
Suzanne Barrett	Secretary	Reappointed for a term of 2 years
Tracy Robbins	Treasurer	Reappointed for a term of 2 years
Rosie Carruthers	Trustee	Reappointed for a term of 2 years
Peter Lindsay	Trustee	Reappointed for a term of 1 year
Andrea Kennedy	Trustee	Reappointed for a term of 2 years

Appointment of New Trustees

Members were previously invited to apply for the role of trustee and four completed applications were received for consideration.

Linda Short
Robert Jones
Joyce Hunt
Jane Reynolds

Members were asked for a show of hands to in support of these applications which was agreed. TB stated that as the applications were received close to the date of the AGM, and that trustee's need to check each application prior to appointment, that applicants would be informed in the next couple of days

Any Other Business

We will be applying for funding to purchase rose bushes for Twyn Yr Hydd. Hopefully, once completed, we hope to apply for funding to purchase additional two-way radios which are essential now that we are operating from both the Turbine House and Courtyard Room. It has been agreed that any volunteer working alone must carry a two-way radio.

We are also looking into funding to purchase new all-terrain mobility scooters, at a cost of £15,000. It has been mentioned to park management who are happy for us to go ahead with this project.

The activities team have had a busy summer providing free themed crafts and activities and have raised £686 in donations. The next activities meeting is planned for a weeks' time where planning for Halloween and Christmas will be discussed.

TB stated that during the recent Dinosaur Event our volunteers received a total of eighty-five complaints regarding the lack of a cash point or cash back in the park. It was agreed that this would be raised at the next park management liaison meeting which we hope will be in the next week or so. We have also received complaints regarding the lack of dog bins which will also be raised.

TB brought the meeting to a close and once again thanked all guests and members for attending.