



# The countryside charity Buckinghamshire

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting for 2022 held on 17th November via Google Meets

Present; Paula Buck (Chair), Neil Salisbury; Frances Nash; Christa McDermott (Office Support); Fiona Williamson; Jonathan Elvin; Giles Draper; Andrew Garth(Trustees)

In view of the small number of members able to attend the AGM in previous years the meeting was held alongside regular trustee meetings over Google Meet. Voting and opportunities for questions were available to members by postal form (included with newsletter) or link to survey that went out in an email, a prompt email chasing responses prior to the meeting was also sent

Responses: Postal votes: 0, Survey Votes: 16

Responses were as follows, all items were met with majority approval.

- “Approval of the minutes of the AGM held on 17 November 2021.” - **14 approved, one disapproved, 1 vote missing**
- “Annual Accounts and Treasurer’s Report for the year ended 31st March 2022.”- **15 approved, 1 vote missing**
- “Election of President - nomination Sir David Lidington.” - **15 approved, 1 vote missing**
- “Election of Honorary Chair - nomination Mrs. Paula Buck (Trustee).” - **15 approved, 1 vote missing**
- “Election of Honorary Treasurer - (At the end of September we were sadly informed of the death of Steven Horner our Treasurer. Recruitment for a new treasurer is underway and Paula Buck as Chair with support of the other Trustees are overseeing financial arrangements in the short term.)” - **15 approved, 1 vote missing**
- “Confirmation of nominees to serve on the Executive Committee – all current trustees: Mr. Neil Salisbury, Mr. Andrew Garth, Mrs. Fiona Williamson, Ms. F Nash, Mr G Draper, Mr J Elvin.” m- **16 approved**
- “Appointment of Independent Examiner – Mr. Chris Tucker”- **16 approved**
- Additional notes section on the survey simply included a message from a member, "Keep up the good work"

The Notice of the meeting previously circulated was taken as read.

Minutes of AGM held on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021. (The minutes were agreed and signed by the Chairman)

Paula Buck is willing to stand for chair again this year, but this will be her last year.

The team agreed to make the membership number optional on the AGM voting form for next year.

The only discrepancy in the voting was for the approval of the minutes from the AGM held last year, as it was only one vote with no additional comment provided the board agreed to approve the minutes down to a majority consensus, putting disapproval vote down to possible error.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved, as was the annual report and the accounts.

David Lidington was nominated again as president.

The team acknowledged that they currently do not have a treasurer however are due to be onboarding new Trustee Priya Kantaria who will take over Treasurer duties as of Jan 2023.

The team agreed to appoint an independent examiner to look at the accounts, even though it is not officially required due to our annual income being lower than is stated.

Trustees Annual Report 21-22 (The Annual Report of the Trustees was circulated prior to the meeting and added to the website for members to see. There were no questions about the report. )

Trustees took one vote for all the resolutions. (All resolutions were passed.)

The accounts for 21/22 have been independently audited. Trustee agreed The full accounts are available on the web site and the summary accounts were sent out with the notice. (No questions were submitted about the accounts.)

Any other Business. (There were no items of AOB)

AGM was formally closed.

Paula Buck  
Chair CPRE Bucks

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paula S Buck". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P' and a stylized 'S'.