

Minutes of the 27th AGM held at Itchenor Memorial Hall

on Friday 11th November 2016 at 7.30 pm

The Chairman welcomed all present including the guest speaker Simon Keitley

PRESENT: 57 people signed the attendance record. However the attendance was estimated to be nearer 85

APOLOGIES: Peter & Kim Henshaw, Mike & Clare Goddard, Gina Lansdale & Brian Jones, Ken Aylett, Basil Taylor Judith & Clive Tunbridge, Jerrold & Susie Alexander, Jason & Holly Lansdale, Peter & Hilary Antill, Ann & Peter Taylor, Chris & Annie Creek, Margaret & David Hearn, John & Linda **Leigh**, Trish & **Carey** McKinnon, Gerry & Angela Whitby.

MINUTES: of the twenty 26th AGM were unanimously approved.

ACCOUNTS: In the absence of the Treasurer the Chairman reported on the accounts and that we have a bank balance of £12,898.28. The accounts were unanimously accepted.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the 27th AGM and preceded to inform the meeting of the various issues we had worked with WIPC over the last year: The development of Northshore, did not succeed in gaining planning permission. A particular thanks was extended to Alastair Spencer and Christopher Mead Briggs for their efforts. The maintenance of Old Haven and gaining a Section 215 Notice as well as an enforcement notice to Northshore to remove the boat moulds along side the footpath. The proposed upgrade of the A27 which divided opinion the Society were conscious not to promote one particular view, however, a number of emails were sent with various information links. The Chairman and Secretary attended a meeting by Natural England regarding the Coastal Path, as yet the path is still in its early stages. We understand that there will be a recommendation that the Ferry will be used between Bosham and Itchenor although as of yet the actual route has not been finalised.

Colin Simpson is the Membership Secretary and please keep him informed of any change of details particularly email addresses as this is becoming an easier means of keeping in touch with members.

Social Functions have been very successful this year The Walking Carols was well attended and raised £520 for the Snowdrop Trust. The winter lunch at The Ship was well attended and enjoyed by all. The Summer Party was a wonderful evening hosted by Audrey and Nick Backhouse at Tide Mark. We celebrated the Queens 90th Birthday with a Union Jack cake and our local Jazz Band SJQ. Next years Summer Party will be on the 17th June at Liz Fox's, The Old Rectory. All dates will be in the Newsletter, which will be delivered, in early December. Lastly The Chairman, thanked the Committee for their time and support over the last year as well as thanking the two retiring members of committee Tony Offredi and Basil Taylor.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN: Having been duly proposed and seconded Mrs Alexandra Webb was unanimously Re-elected.

ELECTION OF THE OFFICERS: Mrs. Glynis Lansdale Secretary, Mr. Colin Simpson Membership Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Raggett Treasurer, having been duly proposed and seconded were unanimously elected or re-elected.

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: The following having been duly proposed and seconded were unanimously elected or re-elected. Mr. Alastair Spencer, Rev. Jim Mould, Mr Alistair Impey, Mrs Caroline Dunn, Mr. Mark Bray and Mr. Tony Roach

ELECTION OF THE HON. AUDITOR: Mrs. Anne Taylor proposed by Ali Griffiths and seconded by Christopher Mead-Briggs and was unanimously approved.

A.O.B

The Chairman informed the meeting we had been invited by the Birdham History Group to a talk by Richard Dyer on Shipbuilding in Itchenor in previous centuries at Birdham Village Hall on the 5th December 2016 at 7.30 pm. Chris Blevins asked if this could be put on the web site. Peter Arnold agreed to do this.

The Chairman thanked our guest speaker, Simon Keitley, for a very interesting talk on "The Last Customs Officer of Itchenor" and then invited everyone to enjoy the drinks and canapés that had been made by ladies of the village.

Glynis Lansdale

Hon.Sec. Itchenor Society

