



Banbury Amateur Radio Society

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Minutes of the AGM 7th March 2018

The meeting opened at 19:45 there were 16 members present.

Apologies for absence were received from John Burrell, Adrian Riddick and Daniel Endean

Minutes of the 2016 AGM were presented Proposed to accept: Frank Humphris
Seconded: Ralph Moyle.
Unanimously accepted

Committee Officers Reports Presented

Chairman John Manley

Treasurer Mick Gritton

Secretary Brian Cohen

All reports accepted without dissent

There was some discussion as to whether to continue funding the tech groups use of the clubhouse in view of the small deficit during the year. It was agreed that we will continue to fund this as we expect the membership to rise during the year and that this will more than cover the deficit. It was agreed that the committee should keep this under review.

Re Adoption Of Standing Orders

Proposed Ron Sangster
Seconded Frank Humphris
Accepted without dissent

Election of auditors.

It was unanimously decided that there was no need to elect auditors.

Election of New Committee

Chairman:

Nominated: John Manley

Proposed

Frank Humphris

Seconded

Ron Sangster

Elected Unopposed

Treasurer:

Nominated: Mick Gritton

Proposed

Brian Cohen

Seconded

Ralph Moyle

Elected Unopposed

Secretary:

Nominated: Brian Cohen

Proposed

Paul Endean

Seconded

Frank Humphris

Elected Unopposed

Events Secretary

Nominated: James Cook

Proposed

Antony Watts

Seconded

Brian Cohen

Elected Unopposed

Vice Chairman

Nominated: Ron Sangster

Proposed

Frank Humphris

Seconded

John Manley

Vice Chairman

Nominated Simon Lloyd Hughes

Proposed

John Burrell

Seconded

Adrian Riddick

As there were two candidates for the post of Vice Chairman a secret ballot was held. **There was a clear majority of votes in favour of Ron Sangster who was duly elected vice chairman.**

Consideration of the Insurance proposals put forward by Simon Lloyd Hughes

The Treasurer reported that the committee had decided to self-insure the club's equipment. This was based on the value of the equipment the cost of insurance and the fact that the club currently has a surplus of funds which could if necessary replace the equipment. The Chairman had investigated the public liability situation about possible injuries to members or visitors. He reported that this liability is covered by the insurance we have as an affiliate of the Radio Society of Great Britain, so no further insurance is required.

Any other business

Antony Watts raised the issue of the changes to the Data Protection Act which take place in May. In particular, the new legislation works on an opt in rather than opt out basis. It was agreed that the secretary will send out an email with a copy of the membership form attached so that members can opt in to receiving communications from the club. It was further decided that the membership data files will be kept in a double encrypted format.

Geoff Peters suggested that there should be more strenuous efforts to recruit more members and made various suggestions as to how this could be achieved. He further suggested that we could fund further development by charging fees for tuition.

Joe Rookyard suggested that the club should hold some open evenings to encourage possible future members to have a taste of amateur radio.

Simon Lloyd Hughes and Antony Watts both suggested that there should be some constructor classes held for members. These could involve a useful final product and could be charged at a rate which would cover the costs of the project itself and the hire of the clubhouse.

Simon Lloyd Hughes suggested that the club should apply to the council for grants that are available for socially useful projects.

The committee undertook to consider all the matters raised in any other business and to report back to the club in due course.

The meeting closed at 21:20

