

**Disability Huntingdonshire
Charity number: 1061702**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 16th January 2018

**The Arts Studio
Lower Pendrill Court
Papworth Everard**

1. Welcome

The Chair, Sandy Ferrelly made an introductory speech to welcome those present.

2. Apologies for absence

The attention of the meeting was drawn to the apologies list attached to the agenda, copies of which had been provided to each attendee. The apologies were from Robert Buss (Trustee), Julie Farrow (Hunts Forum), Councillor Jay Dyne (Mayor of Huntingdon), Councillor Sarah Conboy and Steve White (Papworth Trust).

3. Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and matters arising

There are no matters arising from the minutes of the AGM of 13th December 2016. The minutes were accepted by the meeting and signed by the Chair.

4. Presentation of Accounts and Treasurer's report

David Morgan, Treasurer, referred to his written report and gave a review of the key points from the accounts and the past financial year.

The full Annual Accounts were announced to be available on request.

The accounts were approved (Jo Pegg proposed, David Underwood seconded, passed by the meeting).

David gave additional thanks and well wishes to those present as he stood down as treasurer and trustee.

Questions from the floor were invited, there were none.

5. Appointment of the Independent Examiner for annual accounts

The appointment of Tacconi Greene and Co. was approved (David Underwood proposed, Mark Griffin seconded, passed by the meeting).

6. Report from the Chair

Sandy Ferrelly, Chair, drew the meeting's attention to key points in the text of her written report disseminated to those present.

Tokens of thanks from the Trustees were given to Jackie Newman, Michael O'Keefe, Caroline O'Brian and Hilary Bayles.

The Disability Huntingdonshire "Unsung Hero Award" was presented to Audrey Gatford, Manager, on her retirement.

7. Manager's report

Audrey Gatford, outgoing manager, drew the meeting's attention to the key points of her written report as disseminated and an example of just one of the cases she had work on that showed the value of the organisation.

The meeting was then passed over to Jennifer Denton, new manager, who introduced herself and the new caseworker, Tracey Woodhouse.

8. Appointment of Charity Trustees

It was announced that David Morgan, Jane Curr and Chris Evans have resigned as directors and thanks was given for their contribution to DISH over the years.

Approval was sought from the meeting for those who have been in post this year to stand for election again. This was agreed. Two nominations were taken and these were also agreed.

The following Trustees were elected by the meeting:

Mrs Sandy Ferrelly
Mr David Underwood
Mr David Bowers

Mr David Calver
Mr Mark Griffen
Mr Robert Buss
Ms Vicky Pryce

The following appointments were made by those present:

David Underwood: Chair
David Bowers: Honorary Treasurer

9. Presentation of cheque from Huntingdon Freeman's Trust

On taking the Chair, David Underwood accepted the gracious donation of £8,000 by Huntingdon Freeman's Trust.

10. Special resolution: Change of Charity Objects

In line with a recommendation by the Charity Commission, Trustees put to the meeting a Special Resolution to change the objects of Disability Huntingdonshire as specified in the proposed new Articles of Association.

This will be to revert to the original and entirely relevant objects of Disability Information Service Huntingdonshire as follows:

The purpose of the Association is to relieve people with Disabilities living in Huntingdonshire and the neighbourhood thereof so that they may lead active and fulfilling lives integrated in society.

This was read in full to the meeting.

Proposed: Sandy Ferrelly, David Bowers seconded, passed by the meeting.

No other resolutions were put forward.

The meeting was closed by the Chair.

There followed food and a fascinating presentation by Remap.

Jennifer Denton
Charity Secretary
16/01/2018