

Annual General Meeting

Held at the Whitgift Sports Club, Croham Manor Road At 7pm on Monday 9th December 2019

The President Richard Blundell took the chair.

In Attendance: Jonathan Bunn (Chairman WA), Andrew Gayler (Treasurer), James Goatcher (Secretary), Andrew Pickering, Peter Dunn, John Etheridge, Ian Munro, Tim Flood, David Straw, Stuart Woodrow, Doug Elland, Henry Parritt, Fergus Endersby, John Straw, David Stranack, Dom Edwards, Ian Wray, David Freud, Jonathan Higgins, Ken Rokison, Ian Watson, Nick Somers, Andreas Dracoulis, Graham Tope, John Dennis, Paul Bush, Gavin Salim, David Flood, Pip Burley, Mike Wilkinson, Alan Blok, Yeboah Mensah-Dika.

1 Apologies

Chris Jenkins, Grant Eustance, Dick Felix, Simon Kennedy, Donald Keniston, Chris Wrigglesworth, John Jacobsen, John Lindblom, Keith Lindblom, John Bentley, Brian Lay, Peter Ellis.

2 The Minutes of the AGM held on 10th December 2018 were agreed.

3 Matters Arising

None

4 Chairman's Report

The Chairman's Report was presented by Jonathan Bunn. The full text can be found on the Whitgiftian Association web site.

John Dennis asked on a time scale going forward? Jonathan Etheridge replied that the Committee did not have to make an immediate decision and so it will be done in due course. The needs of Croham Road and the WSC are more pressing.

Ian Watson asked about opening Croham Road up to the community under our Constitution? John Etheridge replied that the Committee would look at that going forward.

David Stranack asked if the WA is being run by the school? John Etheridge replied that it is not. Going forward the Committee would need to agree with the school who does what in relation to the Alumni.

Jonathan Bunn read a letter from the Headmaster Chris Ramsey.

Pip Burley asked about there being no fee to be a member of the Alumni and the cessation of the AMS? John Etheridge agreed that the AMS scheme stopping is being considered and advice taken. We will continue to collect a membership fee.

Are there going to be any restrictions on the use of the pitches going forward? John Etheridge assured the meeting that there had not been any discussions with the school on this matter.

Nick Somers asked how many the members the WA have? John Etheridge replied that he did not know.

The report was unanimously accepted. Proposed Nick Somers

Seconded Tim Flood

5 Resolution 2.7

John Etheridge explained the history on the 2012 split and why the Committee were proposing the change in the Constitution.

Henry Parritt asked on the process? John Etheridge explained the change and that WAT would then be asked to transfer WSC to WA.

The change was carried 28 to 5. Proposed Henry Parritt

Seconded David Freud

6 Accounts

The accounts were presented by Andrew Gayler. The large surplus for the year has mostly arisen from the AMS surplus of £42,000. Assets now stand at £260,000.

John Straw asked about the AMS and whether this is repayable?

Andrew Gayler said that if it was the sale of the flat and the cash funds would if required settle the liability.

David Stranack asked about the future AMS income streams? These appear to have been stopped.

Stuart Woodrow asked about the WAT/WA inter company balance? Andrew Gayler said this had

The accounts were unanimously agreed. Proposed Peter Dunn

Seconded John Straw

7 President

Richard Blundell

Unanimously agreed Proposed Andrew Gayler

Seconded David Straw

8 Existing Vice Presidents and Simon Kennedy

Unanimously agreed Proposed David Stranack

Seconded Stuart Woodrow

9 Elected Officers

John Etheridge, Richard Bateman, Andrew Gayler, James Goatcher

Unanimously agreed Proposed Nick Somers

Seconded Tim Flood

10 Other Members

Elected: Alan Blok, Jonathan Higgins, Yeboah Mensah-Dika, Stuart Woodrow

Co-opted: Peter Ellis

Unanimously agreed Proposed Andreas Dracoulis

Seconded Dom Edwards

11 Independent Examiner

Andrew Gayler proposed Hays MacIntyre as the Independent Examiners

12 Any other business

Richard Blundell thanked Jonathan Bunn for the past three years hard work as Chairman.

David Stranack asked if updates on progress can be issued going forward? It was agreed that any

Decisions will be brought back to the membership at either an AGM or an EGM.

Henry Parritt asked if any future changes will affect other societies? John Etheridge said there will be no changes.

Finished at 8.33 pm