

HALCROW PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 4th Annual General Meeting

Held online between 20 April and 3 May 2017

Present:

Malcolm Bennett	Honorary Treasurer/Membership Secretary
John Ratsey	Web Master
Jane Tordoff	Honorary Secretary
Stephen Brichieri-Colombi	Committee Member
Jon Bateman	Committee Member
Phil Johnson	Committee Member

Present

Phil Alexander	Tony Key
Eric Cooper	John Killip
Mort Deas	Steve King
Rob Deakin	Tim Kingham
John Deighton	David Mullins
Ken Falls	Jerry Neville
Heather Foster	Andrew Rattray
Michael Fitzpatrick	Andrew Scarth
Tony Green	Meelit Shah
Rod Hacker	Howard Smith
Martin Harrison	Neil Smart
Tony Hoyle	Ian Rose
Anne Jepson	Peter von Lany

The total number of people attending numbered 32 well in excess of that needed to form a quorum.

1. OPENING REMARKS

As the Chairman was unable to connect to the internet this year, he was out of the UK, there are no opening remarks.

2. APOLOGIES

Edward Evans was out of the UK and unable to connect to the forum.

3. ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF AGM HELD FROM 12 APRIL TO 20 April 2016

These were accepted by those attending the AGM.

4. PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF ANNUAL REPORT

JR submitted the Annual Report of the Committee for the Period to 17 April 2016.

(full text available at

These were accepted by those attending the AGM

5 PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

6 A summary of HPA's accounts for the year ending 31st March 2017 follows

Description	Amount		
	2016	2017	Total
	£	£	£
Brought Forward	6,653.65		
Subscription for Members			
- Bank Transfers		1,982.44	
- PayPal Transfers		273.52	
- Funds in PayPal account		0.00	
- Cheques/Cash		30.00	
- Pledge Payments		355.00	
Total Receipts		355.00	
Expenses			
- Irwin Mitchell		4,800.00	
- Meeting with tPR ¹		842.47	
- Payments to OPA ²		40.00	
- Administration		23.74	
Total Expenses		5,706.21	
Balance at 31 March 2017			3,588.40

¹- The Pensions Regulator

²- The Occupational Pensioners Alliance

The legal campaign to protect our pensions resulted in the major expenditure. The initial campaign undertaken with Irwin Mitchel, and the associated expenses incurred by HPA committee members, was paid for from HPA reserves. The following campaign undertaken with Solicitor Ivan Walk and Nicholas Rendell, QC is to be funded from £13,480 pledged by 106 HPA members. £355 of these pledges has already been redeemed, leaving the balance to be redeemed to meet Ivan's Walker's invoice for £10, 290.00. The pledged income (except for pledges already received) and payments due to the lawyers will appear in the 2018 Report.

The full Treasurer's Report can be found [here](#).

5 MOTIONS TO PUT TO THE AGM

Proposal/ Question	For	Against	Abstain	Total Members Voted
That the committee is thanked for its work during the past year	23		1	24
That the Constitution is Amended to Refer to HPS2 and the Halcrow Fox Scheme	23		1	24
That the Committee's and Treasurer's Reports are Accepted	23			23

That HPA should monitor the financial state of the pension scheme and the CH2M companies	25			25
That HPA will continue its membership of the Occupational Pensioners Alliance	24	1		25
That the annual subscription to HPA remains at £10	27			27

Discussions took place on a variety of issues this year, but were not voted on. Details of these discussions can be found on the forum.

6 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The following HPA members had indicated their willingness to stand again for re-election and had all been proposed.

The following HPA members indicated their willingness to stand again for re-election and were subsequently re-elected, as there were no nominations this year, the Committee for 2017 is as follows:

Edward Evans	Chairman
Malcolm Bennett	Treasurer/Membership Secretary
Jane Tordoff	Secretary
John Ratsey	Web Master
Jon Bateman	Committee Member
Brian Finney	Committee Member
Phil Johnson	Committee Member
Stephen Brichieri-Colombi	Committee Member

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no issues raised under this heading

8. CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING STATEMENT

The Chairman was unable to take part in this year's AGM as he had no internet access.