

MINUTES OF THE 49TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE EXETER CIVIC SOCIETY

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11TH 2010.

THE DEVON AND EXETER INSTITUTION, 7, CATHEDRAL CLOSE, EXETER AT 6.30.

1. WELCOME. The President, Mr John Landers welcomed 28 members to the meeting.
2. APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from 19 members.
3. MINUTES. Minutes of the 48th AGM on 26th November were proposed being signed as correct by the President and carried unanimously.
4. MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES.

Re 5, Treasurers Report. A question from the floor regarding the COIF fund and investment in ethical funds was answered by Stephen Bouloux.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT. The Income and Expenditure account for the year ending 30th September 2010 was circulated to members and presented by Stephen Bouloux. The net Income for the year was £1,900, expenditure £6,432, leaving a deficit of expenditure over income of £4, 532. The overall balance at 30th September 2010 was £6, 946.

When answering questions, the Treasurer explained the Society's new publication on Exeter Trams had been launched on February 5th 2010. However, approx 2000 books remained unsold and £3,890 was tied up in this stock. Members were asked to give names of outlets where the books might be sold.

The music room in central library, the Society's usual venue for lectures, had increased the letting rate to £28 per afternoon.

After discussion on the amount of the membership subscription, it was proposed by Mr Martin, seconded by Mr Yonge, that the Single membership subscription for 2011/12 be £7, Couple £12. The Life membership subscription to be decided by Committee. This was carried.

The accounts were accepted.

6. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT. Stephen Bouloux reported the current membership as being 295, this figure included 'Life' memberships.
7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT. Margo Swift thanked the President, officers and individual members of committee for the support, help, advice and work undertaken during the year. A bench commemorating the life and work of Professor Hoskins had been sited near Salmon Pool bridge. Appreciation was expressed to the speakers who had given talks to the Society during the year. The Chairman announced her retirement after four years in office.

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS. Chairman. Felicity Murdin: proposed by John Lander, seconded by Hazel Harvey. Carried unanimously. The committee to be elected en bloc: proposed by John Lander, seconded by Mr Martin. Carried unanimously. The committee will consist of Peter Casper, Geoffrey Harding, Pamela Wootton, Margo Swift, Richard Parker and Barbara Looser. The new chairman invited members to attend an Open Meeting and Brain Storming session to take place at her home on Monday 29th November at 7pm. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

- a) Pamela Wootten gave information about the sale of an Exeter Map.
 - b) A discussion took place whether Exeter Civic Society sponsor the publication of a Post Medieval paper. It was agreed more information was needed to make a decision and the Executive Committee was empowered to make further enquiries and to decide.
 - c) Hazel Harvey spoke on concerns regarding the site of the Dissenter's cemetery.
 - d) Announcement about a lunchtime public lecture by Eduardo Hoyos-Saavendra on the Discovering Exeter 11 publication, 'Twentieth- Century Architecture', in the Devon and Exeter Institution on November 15th at 1.10.
 - e) A presentation of an original painting of a tram in Cowick Street was made to Mr John Manley-Tucker, Chairman of the Devon and Exeter Institution. Miss Sylvia Hardy had donated the painting to the Civic Society.
- The meeting closed at 8pm.

Chairman.

Date.