

DRAFT MINUTES – for confirmation at the 2020 AGM
Tenth Annual General Meeting of the Surrey Hills Society
Saturday, 12 October 2019 at 10.30am
Evelyn Hall, Abinger Lane, Abinger Common, RH5 6HZ

1. **Welcome** – The Chairman, Gordon Jackson, welcomed members to the 11th Annual General Meeting and thanked them for their continuing support. The meeting was attended by approximately 65 members.
2. **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies were received from 12 members
3. **Minutes of the AGM held on 13 October 2018**
Peter Hattersley proposed and Carol Coye seconded and the Minutes were approved unanimously. No matters arising.
4. **Chairman’s Report** –The Chairman presented his report which is set out the Annual Accounts and Annual Review of the Society.
5. **Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements for the period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019** – Copies of the accounts were available at the meeting and had been published on the website.
The Finance Director, Martin Cantor summarised the year as a year of consolidation. We need to be careful of what causes we support. Event income had increased to just under £8,000. We have supported other members of the AONB family both financially and by providing personnel.
Martin thanked the auditor David Montgomery of Moore Kingston Smith LLP who were thorough and diligent especially in matters relating to charities.
Martin was thanked for all his work. Anthony Wakefield was thanked for his continued sponsorship of the newsletter and Playle & Partners LLP were thanked for their financial support for specific projects.
Question about why there is a consultancy fee? Martin Cantor explained that one person is remunerated on a consultancy basis to ensure the smooth every day running of the charity.
Peter Hattersley raised a question about whether we (a charity) should make donations to other charities. Most donations we make are in effect when we receive money on behalf of the charity and forward it on however our const
No other questions arose.
The Accounts were approved unanimously. Martin Cantor proposed and Gordon Jackson seconded.
6. **To confirm the appointment of the independent financial examiner for 2019/20** - The Chairman expressed thanks and appreciation to David Montgomery of Moore Kingston Smith, our financial examiner, for examining the accounts on pro bono basis for the year to March 2019.
The new examiner was approved unanimously. Gordon Jackson proposed and Martin Cantor seconded.
7. **To set the annual membership subscription for 2019/20** – The Chairman proposed that the membership fee remained unchanged for the coming year, which was agreed unanimously.
8. **To appoint and reappoint Trustees of the Society.** Profiles were available on the website.
 - a) To confirm the reappointment of Mun-Ling Logue, Andrew Povey and Peter Salisbury as Trustees, who are retiring by rotation. This was agreed unanimously, proposed by Gordon Jackson and seconded by Ken Bare.
 - b) To note the reappointment of the Chairman, Gordon Jackson by the Trustees for 2019/20

9. **Any other business**

Marion Salisbury thanked the Trustees, committee members and volunteers for their hard work throughout the year.

The meeting closed at 11.43am.