

Church Crookham Garden Society

Minutes for the Annual General Meeting

25th February 2022

Apologies: Mike Speed, Mary & Geoff Riggs

Present: Gillian Dukes, Sian and Paul Fethney, Jan and Will Parker, Peter and Margaret Edwards, Rob and Celia Brook, Margaret Smith, Linda Dart, Roger and Carolyn Greenhalgh, Jennifer and Michael Kelly, Sue and Duncan Meek, Sue and Alec Grant, Liz Kirton

- 1. Minutes and Matters Arising:** Minutes approved – no matters arising
- 2. Chairman's Report and review of 2021 Summary:** The pandemic severely restricted activities during 2020-21, but trading continued from the shed. Shows in 2020 were cancelled and we only held the summer show in 2021. Social activities were restricted to Zoom talks and quizzes online. There has, consequentially, been a fall in membership. No new members are prepared to join the committee and we need to fill the posts of trading secretary, treasurer and show secretary during this year. We need to look at options for the future: 1. Recruit more committee members 2. Merge with another society 3. Wind up the society over the coming year. We hope to explore these options and come back to you with our proposals.

Meanwhile we hope to have the trading shed repaired and running soon; there will be a Spring and Summer show this year.

- 3. Treasurer's report:** A printed copy was provided for members: current acc £1817.32, savings acc £1555.73; total £3373.05.

Income £2792.36; Expenditure £2887.60

- 4. Show secretary's report:** A printed copy was provided for members- main points were that although the quality of exhibits was high, those members entering were fewer (17) than in 2019 (22). We need to encourage more members to enter the shows, and some people with IT facility to help the show secretary with entries
- 5. Election and re-election of officers** There were no new volunteers. Treasurer, Secretary, Show secretary, Jan Parker and Sue Meek to stay until September. This was approved by those present.

6. Options for the future of the society

It was suggested that we could rename the society to include Fleet to appear more inclusive. > Church Crookham and Fleet Garden Society

More publicity on social media – Rob Brook volunteered to publicise on neighbourhood site

AOB Jan Parker wished to congratulate Alec and Sue for being Trading secretary and Chairman simultaneously.

Suggested visits :- Wisley and Munstead Wood (Gertrude Jekyll's garden)

The quiz followed