

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of CPRE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE**

held at County Hall, Northampton on 3 August 2023

Officers present:	David Laing	President
	Geoff Carverhill	Chairman
	Robin Jones	Acting Treasurer

Members/Proxies:	Members present in person:	9
	Proxies:	12

1 Welcome and Opening remarks by the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed members to the Annual General Meeting and confirmed that the meeting was quorate. He extended a warm welcome to David Laing, President of CPRE Northamptonshire and to those members in attendance.

He was fairly new to the role and hoped to steer CPRE Northamptonshire in a positive direction. He was keen to preserve as much of our local countryside as possible.

2 Approval of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21 July 2022

It was resolved that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21 July 2022, which had been previously circulated, be approved as a true record of that meeting.

3 Election of Honorary Officers and Executive Committee Members for the year 2023/2024

- The re-appointment of David Laing as President, Sir Paul Hayter as Vice President and Geoffrey Carverhill as Chairman was proposed by Robin Jones and seconded by Brian Skittrall.
- The re-appointment of Graham Ferrie, Robin Jones, Alan Mayes and Brian Skittrall as Executive Committee members was proposed by David Laing and seconded by Carew Treffgarne.

It was resolved that all of the foregoing be elected for the year 2023/2024.

4 Approval of the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

RJ reported that 2022 had been a very satisfactory year financially. After a long period of struggling to make ends meet, the Charity had now enjoyed two profitable years with every prospect of this continuing in 2023. The Charity now had a very healthy balance sheet which had been further enhanced by a significant donation. Trustees would be holding a meeting in September to discuss how best to use the substantial funds at their disposal.

It was proposed by Alan Mayes and seconded by David Laing and it was resolved that the Report of the Trustees and the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 be approved.

5 Re-appointment of DH Kelland FCA as Independent Examiner

Robin Jones proposed and Brian Skittrall seconded and it was resolved that David Kelland of Meadows & Co Limited be re-appointed as independent examiner.

6 Any other business

The Chairman invited questions from the meeting.

A discussion followed focusing on some of the issues faced by the village of Loddington which were raised by Alan Durn of Loddington Parish Council.

7 Closing remarks by the President

David Laing thanked those who had attended the meeting. He also thanked trustees, volunteers and members for their continuing support and said it was encouraging to see such a healthy balance sheet.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting.