



Bure Navigation Conservation Trust

Patron - Professor Tom Williamson, University of East Anglia

Minutes of the 7th Annual General Meeting

Held at Burgh Reading Room

On Tuesday 16 April 2019

Present: Peter Baker (Chair), Bruce Rushin (Vice Chair), Sue Baker (Secretary), Haydn Claridge (Treasurer), Elaine Rushin, Roger Polhill, Diana Polhill, Roy Wheeler, Sue Wheeler, Barbara Rix, Jim Pannell, Valerie Hills, Frank Tipper, Jean Tipper, Sue Wilson.

1. Apologies: Margaret Bird, Pam Bond, Sylvia Jennings

Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

2. Minutes of 2018 AGM

The minutes of the last AGM held on 24 April 2018, having previously been circulated, were approved and signed.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Chair's Report

The project that has taken up most of the year has been the erection of the six information boards.

Following approval from LEADER to make a full application for funding in September 2017, the real work started. A small committee agreed the position of the boards and what should be put on them. Bruce Rushin then produced draft designs. Once all the board designs were agreed, consent was obtained from all the land owners to place them on their land. Advertisement approval was obtained from Broadland DC and for one board from the Broads Authority. With the exception of Brampton and Oxnead Parish Council, all the other councils along the route gave their support, which allowed us to make applications in their names, enabling us to save half the fees.

On 20 April 2018 we made an application to Love the Broads for a grant of £1,100.00 to cover the cost of one board, which was paid on 27 June 2018.

Due to various delays our application for the LEADER grant was not submitted until July. Approval for a grant of £4,680.40 was given on 6 September 2018. The orders for the boards and their erection were placed immediately. The boards were delivered and erected in December 2018.

The whole process, from submitting our original expression of interest for LEADER grant funding on 12 September 2017 to receiving the grant payment and subsequent erection of the boards took approximately 16 months.

The total cost of the project was £7,297.40 of which £5,780.40 was grant funded, the balance coming from Trust funds. I would like to thank all of you for supporting this project, in particular Bruce who produced six memorable designs for us.

The only other project has been keeping David Wilson Homes honest over the new footpath at Dunkirk. We tried to get improvements to the surface but were unsuccessful. However, we have agreed a revised route. Our work on this will continue until its completion.

5. Secretary's Report

There was nothing to add to the above information

6. Treasurer's Report.

Haydn circulated the Income and Expenditure Account for 2018 and gave an explanation of the various items.

The current bank balance is £3,759.89.

Haydn added that there have been some very complimentary remarks about the boards and people have found them very informative. Another parish council has asked about them.

The accounts were agreed unanimously.

The Chair, on behalf of all members, thanked Haydn for his work over the past 12 months.

7. Resignation of Trustees as per Constitution

Sue and Haydn stood down as Trustees. Both agreed to stand for re-election.

8. Election of Trustees

Peter proposed that Sue and Haydn be re-elected as Trustees and this was agreed unanimously. There is still a vacancy for another trustee.

9. Membership subscription

Peter proposed that rates for the year commencing 1 January 2020 should remain unchanged at £12 for full membership and £7.50 for age 60+. Agreed unanimously.

10. **AOB.** There was no other business.

11. Date of Next AGM

The next AGM will be held at 7.30pm on 21 April 2020 at Burgh Reading Room.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm

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Meeting of Trustees held immediately after the AGM.

Present: Peter Baker, Bruce Rushin, Elaine Rushin, Haydn Claridge, Sue Baker, Barbara Rix

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

Election of Officers

Chair: Peter Baker – Proposed Sue - Seconded Barbara. Unanimously. Agreed

Vice Chair: Bruce Rushin – Proposed Peter, Seconded Barbara. Unanimously Agreed

Secretary: Sue Baker – Proposed Peter, Seconded Barbara. Unanimously Agreed

Treasurer: Haydn Claridge – Proposed Peter, Seconded Barbara. Unanimously Agreed.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm

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