

2 March 2020

**MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHREWSBURY AND DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCES ASSOCIATION, HELD AT THE HARLESCOTT CLUB ON MONDAY 2 MARCH 2020 AT 1230 HRS.**

Present: J Burke President  
P Sharp Chairman

And 31 members:

A Allen R Armitage E Blackie M Bradbury P Butler R Davies  
I Davison R Ellis M Farmer R Fildes B France E Freeman  
A Griffith N Hall L Hind C Hough B Howlett G James  
J Keeping M Keeping J Kennedy P Martin D Morgan P Parker  
M Parry A Payne G Puttock P Small G Sumner J Tisbury  
J Trotman

And 9 Associate Members:

P Burke S Farmer V Freeman H Hall C Parry G Puttock  
A Madeley O Trotman B Yardley

Apologies: 8 Members and Associates:

E Barrett N Barrett B Haines B Males J Marston S Marston  
A Shingles K Tidy

In Attendance:

M Revell – Area Councillor  
M Logue - BSO

**ITEM 1 – DEDICATION**

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone, and then read the Dedication.

**ITEM 2 – APOLOGIES**

2. Apologies had been received from the members and associates listed above.

**ITEM 3 – MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM**

3. Copies of the Minutes of the last AGM, which was held in the Harlescott Club on 4 March 2019, had been circulated. It was proposed by M Farmer and seconded by Nick Hall that the Minutes of the last AGM be accepted.

4. **Decision:** It was agreed unanimously that the Minutes of the last AGM be accepted.

#### **ITEM 4 – MATTERS ARISING**

5. There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

#### **ITEM 5 – CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

6. A copy of the Chairman's Report is attached.

#### **ITEM 6 – SECRETARY'S REPORT**

7. A copy of the Secretary's Report is attached.

#### **ITEM 7 – TREASURER'S REPORT AND CONSIDERATION OF THE AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

8. A copy of the Treasurer's Report is attached, along with a copy of the Audited Accounts. No points were raised in relation to the Accounts. It was proposed by the Treasurer and seconded by P Sharp that the Accounts be accepted. **Approved by acclaim.**

9. The Treasurer informed members that the accounts had been audited by Baldwins (Shrewsbury) Ltd. A vote of thanks to the Auditors was proposed by the Treasurer who also proposed that Baldwins (Shrewsbury) Ltd be reappointed as Auditors for the coming year; Mike Bradbury seconded the proposal.

10. **Decision:** The vote of thanks to the Auditors, and their appointment for the coming year was agreed unanimously.

#### **ITEM 8 – WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT**

11. A copy of the Welfare Officer's Report is attached. Acceptance of the Audited Welfare Accounts were proposed by the Welfare Officer and seconded by Mike Bradbury. **Approved by acclaim.**

#### **ITEM 9 – STATEMENT BY MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY**

12. The Membership Secretary advised the meeting that the Branch had:

57 Life Members  
96 Ordinary Members  
31 Associate Members  
181 GAYE Ordinary Members

365 Members in total. (From 341 as reported to the 2019 AGM)

### **ITEM 10 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE**

13. In opening the election the President thanked the committee, a copy of his statement is attached. The President advised that all members of the Committee sought re-election, and that he would therefore seek agreement en-bloc.

14. The following individuals had been proposed and seconded as shown:

<b><u>Appointment</u></b>	<b><u>Nominee</u></b>	<b><u>Proposer</u></b>	<b><u>Seconded</u></b>
Chairman	P Sharp	J Tisbury	M Farmer
Vice Chairman	J Tisbury	P Sharp	M Bradbury
Secretary	J Tisbury	P Small	I Davison
Treasurer	P Small	J Tisbury	P Martin
Committee Member	P Martin	P Sharp	P Small
Committee Member	M Farmer	J Tisbury	P Sharp
Committee Member	M Bradbury	P Sharp	J Tisbury
Committee Member	I Davison	J Tisbury	P Small

15. **Decision:** The nominees were elected unanimously.

### **ITEM 11 – ELECTION OF DELEGATE TO AREA AGM**

16. The Chairman advised that S Marston would be attending the Area AGM in his role as Area Standard Bearer and that he had agreed to act as the Branch Delegate; the Chairman therefore proposed that S Marston be elected the Delegate. Seconded by B Howlett.

17. **Decision:** The proposal was carried unanimously.

#### **ITEM 12 – ELECTION OF DELEGATE TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

18. The Chairman advised that S Marston would be attending Annual Conference in his role as National Standard Bearer and that he had agreed to act as the Branch Delegate; the Chairman therefore proposed that S Marston be elected the Delegate. Seconded by M Bradbury.

19. **Decision:** The proposal was carried unanimously.

#### **ITEM 13 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

20. No other business had been notified.

#### **ITEM 14 – NEXT MEETING**

21. The next AGM of the Shrewsbury and District Branch of the RAFA will take place in the Harlescott Club on Monday 1 March 2021.

P Sharp  
Chairman  
2 Mar 20

Enclosures (to file only):

1. Chairman's Report
2. Secretary's Report
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Financial Statements
5. Welfare Report
6. President's Statement
7. Committee Nomination Form