# 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 6 MARCH 2023 AT 1230 HRS.

Present: A Madeley President

P Sharp Chairman

And 18 members:

A Allen R Armitage P Bradshaw P Butler R Davies I Davison L Hind R Ellis A Griffith N Hall B Howlett G James J Keeping M Keeping S Marston P Small K Tidy J Trotman

And 8 Associate Members:

H Hall B Haynes C Hough H Lewis J Marston G Puttock

G Puttock O Trotman

Apologies: 6 Members and Associates:

M Bradbury J Burke P Burke P Martin J Sumner J Tisbury

# ITEM 1 - DEDICATION

1. The Chair welcomed everyone, and invited all to stand for the parading of the Branch Standard. The Chair read the Dedication and a moment of reflection was observed.

# 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 on 7 March 2022, had been circulated, and placed on the Branch website. It was proposed by N Hall and seconded by J Keeping 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.

# <u>ITEM 5 – CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u>

6. The Chairman read his Report on the activities of the Branch during the last year.

# ITEM 6 – TREASURER'S REPORT AND CONSIDERATION OF THE AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

- 7. A copy of the Treasurer's Report was circulated to members and displayed on the Branch's website. No points of concern were raised in relation to the Accounts. It was proposed by the Treasurer and seconded by the Chairman that the Accounts be accepted. **Approved unanimously.**
- 8. The Treasurer informed members that the accounts had been audited by Azets. A vote of thanks to the Auditors was proposed by the Treasurer who also proposed that Azets be reappointed as Auditors for the coming year; H Lewis seconded the proposal.
- 9. Decision: The vote of thanks to the Auditors, and their appointment for the coming year was agreed unanimously.

# ITEM 7 – WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT

10. The Welfare Officer was unable to attend. The Chair read his report.

# ITEM 8 – STATEMENT BY MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

11. The Membership Secretary was unable to attend. The Chair read his report.

# <u>ITEM 9 – STATEMENT BY PRESID</u>ENT

12. The President thanked the Committee for their work throughout the year. She reflected that she had much enjoyed her first year in office, and that it was a pleasure to represent the Branch at events in the community. The President concluded by thanking all members for their continued support of the Branch and the Association.

# ITEM 10 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

13. The President took the Chair and noted that, with one exception, all the

Committee had been elected at last year's AGM for a period of 3 years. The exception was H Lewis who had only been elected for 1 year. It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by G James that H Lewis be re-elected for a further 2 years; carried unanimously

# 14. The Committee therefore comprised:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
Chairman	P Sharp	N/A	
Secretary	J Tisbury	N/A	
Treasurer	P Small	N/A	
Committee Member	P Martin	N/A	
Committee Member	M Farmer	N/A	
Committee Member	M Bradbury	N/A	
Committee Member	H Lewis	P Sharp	G James

15. Decision: H Lewis was elected unanimously.

# ITEM 11 – ELECTION OF DELEGATE TO AREA AGM

- 16. The Chair advised that S Marston had agreed to attend the Area AGM as the Branch Delegate and therefore proposed that he be so appointed. Seconded by P Small.
- 17. Decision: The proposal was carried unanimously.

# ITEM 12 – ELECTION OF DELEGATE TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

- 18. The Chair advised that S Marston had agreed to attend the Annual Conference as the Branch Delegate and therefore proposed that he be so appointed. Seconded by P Small.
- 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 on Monday 19 March 2024.

P Sharp Chairman

# Enclosures (to file only):

- 1. Chairman's Report
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Copy of Audited Accounts
- 4. Welfare Officers Report
- 5. Membership Secretary's Report
- 6. Committee Nomination Form