

7 March 2017

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 2017 AT 1230 HRS.

Present: J Burke President
P Sharp Chairman

And 24 members:

E Blackie	M Bradbury	P Butler	R Davies	R Dolton	R Ellis
M Farmer	G Fellows	B Hodert	G Knight	B Males	S Marston
P Martin	D McGoogan	M Parry	J Penny	V Pugh	W Pye
P Small	N Spence	J Tisbury	J Trotman	A Ussher	H Williams

And 7 Associate Members:

P Burke	I Davison	J Davison	S Farmer	H Lewis	C Parry
O Trotman					

Apologies: 5 Members and Associates:

B Beattie	B France	N Hall	A Madeley	U Penny
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In Attendance:

I Campbell – Branch Support Officer and M Revell – Area Councillor

ITEM 1 – DEDICATION

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

ITEM 2 – APOLOGIES

2. The Chairman received notification of the 5 apologies as 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 7 March 2016, had been circulated. It was proposed by R Davies and seconded by G Fellows 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 J Penny 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 P Small who also proposed that Baldwins (Shrewsbury) Ltd be reappointed as Auditors for the coming year; P Sharp 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 W Pye. **Approved by acclaim.**

ITEM 9 – STATEMENT BY MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

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

72 Life Members

186 Annual Members

26 Full Associate Members

284 Members in total. (From 195 as reported to the 2016 AGM)

It was advised that the Branch would no longer accept individuals in the category of 'Branch Member'

ITEM 10 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

13. In opening the election the President thanked the committee, on his and the members' behalf, for their hard work, and stated that he enjoyed the monthly Branch meetings and the varied social programme. The President expressed the thanks of the Branch to RAF Shawbury for their help and support through the year, and to the RAFALOs who kept members up to date with the activities of today's RAF. The President closed by thanking the ladies for their continued support of the Branch. The President then 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:

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
Chairman	P Sharp	J Tisbury	P Small
Vice Chairman	J Tisbury	P Sharp	P Small
Secretary	J Tisbury	P Sharp	P Small
Treasurer	P Small	P Sharp	J Tisbury
Committee Member	R Dolton	A Madeley	J Tisbury
Committee Member	A Madeley	P Small	P Sharp
Committee Member	P Martin	A Madeley	M Bradbury
Committee Member	M Farmer	J Tisbury	A Madeley
Committee Member	M Bradbury	A Madeley	M Farmer
Committee Member	I Davison	M Bradbury	A Madeley

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 J Tisbury.

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 J Tisbury.

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 5 March 2018.

P SHARP
Chairman
5 Mar 18

Enclosures (to file only):

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