



2016 Annual General Meeting Minutes

1. Apologies for Absence

The Chairman welcomed and thanked those present for attending on a Saturday, and reported that in addition to the list attached as Appendix 1, there were also apologies from Alan Paul, Geoff Smith, Ashley Sheppard, Vic Nickson and Pauline Fury

2. Approval of 2015 AGM Minutes

Approval of the draft 2015 minutes was proposed by David Godsmark and seconded by Brian Wilson.

On a show of hands, the minutes were approved nem con.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes

Attendees did not raise any matters arising from the 2015 AGM Minutes that were not covered by the Agenda.

4. Chairman's Report

The Chairman's report (Appendix 2) had been circulated and posted on the Cambs NHW website before the meeting. The Chairman added the following updates.

Thanks: Our thanks were due to Vic Kerlin a senior police staff manager for his support to NHW groups, and for organising and supporting the facilities for this AGM. He then introduced Jess Sadek – “a Mum with some time to volunteer” and now a Police Volunteer. Jess' role is to support Watch Groups and is currently concentrating on the Admin System.

New Logo: As attendees may be aware there have been delays in the new logo being made available because of extended discussions over the licencing agreement between Force Associations (including the Cambs NHW Executive Group) and NHW Headquarters. JF expected that the situation will be sorted by 28th November and that the necessary paperwork to allow local printing will be made available on that date.

Executive Group: Under the new arrangements, the Cambridgeshire Neighbourhood Watch Executive Group will become the Cambridgeshire Force Association.

Regardless of the name, given the support from the Police Force as confirmed this morning, the Executive Group both needs and is open to additional volunteers. If attendees wish to influence how the Cambridgeshire Police and NHW work together in the future, “this is your opportunity”. Please contact John Fuller.

Cyber Security: JF reminded the meeting of Rebecca Tinsley's request for volunteers to become local trainers in Cyber-Safety, having first attended a 4 hour course run by the Force Cyber Security group. Several attenders indicated interest and were asked either to contact JF after the meeting or to send an email to him.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Financial Report had been circulated to attenders and posted on the website for some ten days. The finances are in good shape and showed little change from the report to the 2015 AGM.

He then presented the slides in Appendix 3.

Mr Philip Dendy queried the apparent missing figure in the Profit and Loss statement that had been posted on the website. The "Trustee Expenses are shown as being zero while £289.65 is shown as being for "Accountant Fees". After the close of the meeting, Mr Dendy agreed that the apparent error was actually a typing error. The relevant page in the Appendix has been corrected (Appendix 4).

Lawrence Wright proposed that the Accounts be approved and Kevin Evans seconded the proposal. On a show of hands the Accounts were approved nem con.

6. Nominations and Elections of Members to the Executive Group

The Chairman listed the nominations received for the re-election of the existing members of the Executive Group (Appendix 5) and asked if there was anyone present who would like to join. In the absence of any additional nominees, Thomas Jackson proposed that the list in its entirety be elected. Ivan Hammond seconded the motion which was then approved nem con.

7. Election of Honorary Officers of the Executive Group

The Chairman explained that under the Constitution, only Executive Group members could vote in the election of Honorary Officers. He stated that the current Officers, himself as Chairman, Morcom Lunt, Treasurer and Val Godby, Secretary were prepared to be in office for another year.

Geoff Varley proposed that the three be re-elected. Dave Harrowing seconded the motion which was then approved nem con.

8. Any Other Business (pre notified)

There was no additional business and the Chairman closed the meeting closed at 12:50.

Attendance

Ablewhite - Jason	Aitken - John	Akers - Pat	Ashbury- Sarah
Bailey - Marjory	Beeton - Tony	Belham - Fay	Chandler - Robin
Cloke - Eddie	Cullen - Charles	Coales - Julie	Davis – Brian NK
Dendy - Philip	Edwards - Bev	Evans - Kevin	Footner - Margaret
Fotland – Colin	Fawcett - Paul	Fuller - John	Gerstner - Roy
Gibb-de-Swarte - Lyn	Gibb-de-Swarte - Cathy	Godby – Val	Godsmark - David
Griffiths – Meirion	Gooding - Joan	Grossey - Susan	Gutteridge - Joan
Hammond - Ivan	Hardware – Violet	Harrold – Teresa	Harrowing – Dave
Harrowing – Sue	Henrick - David	Homent – Charlotte	Horlock - Vicki
Ingram - Kathy	Jackman – Malcolm	Jackson - Thomas	Jones – Nick
Kerlin - Victor	King-Underwood - Ray	King-Underwood - Wendy	Lambert – Donald
Lobb – Peter	Lumb - Margaret	Lunt - Morcom	Lee-west - Sarah
Marston - Bob	Mercer - Bill	Paul – Alan	Rawcliffe - Bernard
Sadek – Jess	Sameja – Salim	Schuilburgh - Alex	Sharp - Peter
Shelley - James	Shepherd - Philip	Tack – Alan	Thompson - Dorothy
Thorton - John	Tutt - Kenneth	Varley – Geoff	Von glos - Karoly
Waters - Robin	West - Andrew	Williams – Byron	Williams – Angelina
Wilson – Brian	Wilson – Mary	Wright – Lawrence	Wilcher - Alan

Apologies

Karen Springthorpe	Chris Ellis	Roger Pinner	Joy McCombrie
Richard Belringer	Angela Turner	Robin Mills	Dr. Neville Silverston
William Thompson	Nichola Parbles	June Swann	Keith King
Michael Kennedy	Jane Upwood	Marylyn Black	John Aspinall
Sue Cummings	James Jones	Chris Ward	Margaret Footner
Phillip Miller	Diane Donald	Paul Fox	Alastair Lorimer
Polly Wilderspin	Rob Gordon	Jenni Humphrey	Jo Lauterpact
Jenni Sharp	Malcolm Roper	Barbara Perry	Alex Troy
John Turner	Kirsty Carter	David Wordsworth	John Clubb
Jonathan Young	Michael Slater	Gillian Phillips	Mike Cropley
Geoffrey Smith	Keith Smith	Deborah Walker	Kerry Griffiths
Ronald platter	Karen Collingsby	Marylyn Gardner	Roger Bamford
Peter Hennell	Tony Cleveland	Claire Turp	Pam Vendy
Brian Hewitt			

Chairman's Report for 2015-2016

I welcome this opportunity to report to you on behalf of the Cambridgeshire Executive Group, whom you elect annually and who are responsible and accountable to the National Neighbourhood and Homewatch Network for running NHW in Cambridgeshire.

As one of 1600+ NHW Co-ordinators in Cambridgeshire representing some 40,000 members, you are part of one of the largest voluntary organisations in the county and indeed, the country. What many of you do largely goes unnoticed. You do not seek publicity but the contribution you make in supporting local communities is, I know, greatly appreciated by statutory authorities, our policing partners and communities alike.

National Issues Affecting Cambridgeshire

Last year we heard about the changes that were being made at a national level and how these might affect us in Cambridgeshire. Most of this work is now complete and I am pleased to report we have been instrumental in shaping outcomes to ensure together we can continue to promote NHW across the county.

New national standards require 'Partnership Agreements' to be adopted and signed by Associations covering police force areas. These apply governance and enable the continued use by members of branded materials which are subject to copyright. Currently we are set up to take on this new governance and meet its requirements. It does though mean that we must continue to have the support of members to ensure we have a constituted and representative committee to represent you all.

County Update

Here is a plea! You are represented in Cambridgeshire by two constituted associations operating at a sub county level namely, East Cambridgeshire, and Peterborough Unitary districts, and members from other districts who have volunteered their support and who form your representative group. Currently, there are gaps in our representation covering Huntingdon and St. Neots in Huntingdonshire, March and Chatteris in Fenland and the Histon and Cambourne policing areas in South Cambs.

Why is it important we fill these gaps? To put it simply, NHW works best when there are key points of contact to ensure members are supported locally. Someone who can provide local support when establishing new schemes and act as conduit for dialogue with their local policing commanders and other agencies. Someone able to put their views forward to maintain effective engagement and development. It is not onerous and can be managed on your terms so please consider and contact me if you can help.

Plea over!

Since I reported last year there is a new police chief officer team in place and a new police and crime commissioner. Local policing has continued to evolve and I know it's difficult to keep up with all the changes. Local policing delivery and engagement varies at a district level and communication continues to challenge us all.

Being part of a well known and valued national body we now stand on our feet. Gone are the days when the police ran NHW but that is not to say their continued support and help remains critical to our success. Sharing what is going on and being able to communicate effectively remain key challenges to us both.

New appointments though create new opportunities and will continue to raise and explore issues on your behalf. I am delighted that Chief Superintendent Vicky Skeels, the new head of local policing, and our new Police and Crime Commissioner Jason Ablewhite will address us at our annual conference.

ALERT is our main communication and administrative system and used by the Constabulary to manage their E-cops messaging service. For our purposes, it holds all our Coordinator and scheme records and is linked to the national website www.ourwatch.org.uk

Do please visit your on-line accounts and update as required. We will be required to ensure schemes are displayed accurately and mapped to ensure our membership is properly reflected across the county. To help us the constabulary has recruited a 'police service volunteer' (Jess Sadek) who has recently started to help with ALERT issues which is greatly appreciated.

New 'Members' Guides and Window Stickers have now been received. Provided through national sponsorship, these can be obtained from your county representatives and will also be available at the Conference/AGM.

Similarly, there is also a new 'WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE' county leaflet to help create schemes. This is again available from your local representatives. .

Finally, I would like to express my thanks to all my colleagues on the County group, our police liaison officers, the Police and Crime Commissioner and his staff, and you, the Coordinators, for your continued support to Neighbourhood Watch in Cambridgeshire.

John Fuller

October 2016

Profit and Loss

Profit and Loss for the Year ended		30th June 2016		31st June 2015	
Sales	Item	Cumulative			
Road Signs		1320.00			780.00
Total Sales		1320.00			780.00
Cost of Sales:					
Opening stock	-615.37			-517.55	
Stock Purchase	--480.00			-766.78	
Closing Stock	10.16			615.3681	
Net Cost of Sales		-1085.21			-668.96
Gross Margin		234.79			111.04
Other Income:					
Interest Receivable	22.92			4.18	
Donations Received	35.00			0.00	
Sub-Total		57.92			4.18
Total Income		292.71			106.86
Expenses:					
Printing	0.00			0.00	
Chairman Expenses	0.00			0.00	
Accountant Fees	0.00			0.00	
Trustees Expenses	-289.65			-283.76	
Web Expenses	0.00			--12.00	
Secretarial Expenses	0.00			--20.50	
Grants	-307.97			-1,986.46	
Total expenses		-597.62			-2,302.72
Net Loss		-304.91			-2,195.86

Balance Sheet**Balance Sheet as at 30th June 2016**

	Brought forward	Movement	Carried forward
Assets			
Stock	615.37	(605.21)	10.16
Debtors	0.00	0.00	0.00
Current Account	1,290.54	208.38	1,498.92
Scottish Widows Savings A/c	5,568.12	22.92	5,591.04
Total Cash	6,858.66	231.30	7,089.96
Gross Assets	7474.03	-373.91	7100.12
Liabilities			
Creditors	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accruals	-20.50	-3.00	-23.50
Deposits Held	-399.00	72.00	-327.00
Total Liabilities	-419.50	69.00	-350.50
Net Assets	7054.53	-304.91	6749.62
Represented by:			
Brought forward	7054.53	0.00	7054.53
Losses for current year	0.00	-304.91	-304.91
Surplus Carried forward	7054.53	-304.91	6749.62

Executive Group

The following members of the 2015-16 Executive Group have agreed to stand again for election:-

- John Fuller
- Val Godby
- Morcom Lunt
- Vic Nickson
- Alan Paul
- Roy Gerstner
- Geoff Varley
- Dave Harrowing
- Karoly Von Glos
- David Godsmark
- Bryan Cloke
- John Glanville

Executive Goup Officers

The following Officers have agreed to stay in post over the 2016-17 Financial Year:-

- Chairman – John Fuller
- Secretary – Val Godby
- Treasurer – Morcom Lunt