

**WORLD HERITAGE UK
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
10.00 Wednesday 6th December 2023**

DRAFT MINUTES

Attendance and Apologies

Voting Members:

Rebecca Hartley	Blaenavon	Paul Simons	WHUK Chair
Adrian Neilson	City of Bath	Sam Rose	WHUK Treasurer
Sally Weston	Cornish Mining	Lesley Garlick	WHUK Secretary
Adrian Farmer	Derwent Valley Mills	Max Bryant	WHUK Trustee
Brandi Hall-Crossgrove	Ironbridge	Tony Crouch	WHUK Trustee
Mairi Lock	Lake District	Jane Gibson	WHUK Trustee
Peter Marsden	Maritime Greenwich	David Holroyd	WHUK Trustee
Lynda Slater	Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Canal	Steve Ratcliffe	WHUK Trustee
Sheena Campbell	Saltire	Asheleigh Taylor	WHUK Trustee
Dan Amor	Slate Landscape of Northwest Wales		
Claire Selman	Stonehenge / Avebury		

Non-Voting Members and Guests:

Mark Watson	Forth Bridge / Historic Environment Scotland	Graham Bell	Guest
Gillian Clarke	Individual Member	Barry Gamble	Guest
Suzanne Keane	Individual Member / CPRE	Alex McCoskrie	WHUK General Manager
Henry Owen-John	Individual Member	Natashia Mattocks	WHUK Finance Manager

Apologies:

Anne Allen	Durham	Chris Blandford	WHUK President
Steven Andrews	Flow Country	Teresa Anderson	WHUK Trustee
Sarah France	Fountains	Amanda Chadburn	WHUK Trustee
Edward Mason	Giants Causeway	Justin Scully	WHUK Trustee
Valerie Hulme	Ironbridge	Beth Thomas	Individual Member

1. Welcome

Paul Simons, Chair of WH UK, welcomed members to the AGM and thanked them for attending.

2. Minutes of WHUK AGM 2022

The draft minutes of the AGM held on 7th December 2022 had been circulated.

The Resolution to agree the draft Minutes of the 2022 AGM as a correct record, was proposed by Sam Rose and seconded by Ashleigh Taylor, and was carried unanimously.

3. Trustees Annual Report and Accounts.

The Trustees Annual Report and Accounts which includes the Treasurers Report and the Independents Examiners Report has been circulated to the membership. This is the report that will be sent to the Charity Commission and uploaded to its website. The Chair summarised the activities of WHUK during 2022/23 and thanked all staff and the Trustees for their input. Sam Rose, WHUK's Treasurer, outlined the financial position.

The Resolution to receive the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts for 2022/23 was proposed by David Holroyd and seconded by Peter Marsden. The Resolution was agreed unanimously.

4. Membership Fees for 2024/25

The Chair introduced the report which had been circulated and explained the reasoning behind the proposed increases for each category. The recommendation from the Board is that fees for 2024/25 should be increased to £775 for Voting Members, £400 for Associate Members and £40 for Individual Members.

The Resolution to approve the recommendations as stated in the report, was proposed by Tony Crouch and seconded by Peter Marsden, and was agreed unanimously.

5. Trustee Elections

Under the CIO's Constitution a proportion of the Trustees must step down each year but are eligible for re-election for a further 3-year term if they have not served three terms. Three of the present Trustees are stepping down, two of whom having fulfilled their three terms so there are three trustee places to be determined. Nominations were invited from the membership for persons that may like to stand for election to the Board and candidates have issued an election statement which have been circulated to the membership.

Lesley Garlick, WHUK Secretary, reported that nominations have been received from four candidates, Graham Bell, Barry Gamble, Brandi Hall-Crossgrove and Henry Owen-John, for the three vacancies. She explained the voting procedure and that each voting member could vote for up to three of the candidates. Following the online poll, the absentee votes would also need to be added to the total for each candidate before the result was declared.

Trustee Election Result. The successful candidates, elected as Trustees for an initial three-year term, were Barry Gamble, Brandi Hall-Crossgrove and Henry Owen-John.

6. Any Other Business

There were no questions or points raised by the meeting.

The Chair paid tribute to the three retiring Trustees who are Jane Gibson and Sam Rose who have both served their three terms and so are ineligible to stand again, and David Holroyd who has served two terms but does not wish to stand for a third term. He outlined their valued contributions to the work of WHUK and thanked them for their roles and hard work in helping to make WHUK the respected organisation that it is today. In response each retiring Trustee, spoke about their time as trustees and what they had each gained individually.

The Chair thanked all the members for participating and closed the AGM.

*Lesley Garlick
WHUK Trustee/Secretary
7th December 2023*