

STANDISH VOICE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 22, 2019

The meeting commenced at 7.45pm

Management Committee present: Gill Foster, Paul Ogden, Diane Gore, Brian Jones, Janet Monks, Fran Aiken, Sarah Djali, Dave King, Karen Bliss, Nic Macmillan, Allan Foster, Nicky Ogden

1. **Apologies:** Ron Wade, Andrew Holliday
2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the 2017/2018 AGM were approved without alteration.
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4. **Annual reports:**
 - i) Standish Voice Chair Gill Foster presented her annual report, focussing on Standish Neighbourhood Plan, which was in its final stages of preparation before being put to a referendum of people in the village. She said the various stages of consultation had been successful in raising the profile of the plan and bringing forward valuable views from all areas of the community. She thanked individual members of the committee for work on various projects they had worked on over the past year.
 - ii) Standish Voice Vice Chair Paul Ogden gave his annual report saying the Forum had successfully worked with Wigan Council to redevelop The Line, which was proving extremely popular with people across the village. He said work with Save The Crown campaign was continuing and since the last AGM Standish Voice had held two extremely successful Standish Christmas Markets. Along with other committee members, he thanked outgoing Events Lead Jamie Jones, who was standing down from the committee.
 - iii) Treasurer Karen Bliss presented the accounts saying there was nothing to draw the committee's attention to and that the finances were in a healthy state. The committee accepted the accounts and Gill thanked Karen for her continued work as Treasurer.
5. **Election of Committee Members:** In line with the constitution, five members of the Standish Voice committee stood down. All five wished to be re-elected for another three years and as no other candidates came forward for election, all five

were re-elected unopposed. Jaime Jones, Events Lead, wished to resign her position on the committee. Kathy Robertson, who has worked on the committee of Standish Christmas Market for a number of years was elected in her place and assumes the position of Standish Voice Events Lead. Gill thanked Jaime for her hard work on the successful organisation of the Market for the past three years and wished Kathy well in her new role.

6. **Election of Officers:** Gill Foster was unanimously elected as Chair. Paul Ogden was unanimously elected as Vice Chair. Ron Wade was unanimously elected as Membership Secretary. Karen Bliss was unanimously elected as Treasurer. Paul said he would also assume the responsibilities of the Minutes Secretary.
7. **Date of next meeting:** The date of the next AGM will be Tuesday, January 21, 2020.

The meeting ended at 8.40pm