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DORSET ARCHIVES TRUST

Minutes of the 16th Annual General Meeting

Thursday 5 June 2025 at 11.30 am

At Dorset History Centre and online

Present at DHC: Carola Campbell, former DAT Chairman, Christine Fowler, DAT Chairman, Sam Johnston, DAT Honorary Secretary and Service Manager for Archives and Records, Debbie Shaw, DAT Honorary Treasurer, Annie Nethercott, DAT Membership Secretary, Vicky McDonough, DAT Trustee, Jacqui Halewood, DAT Trustee (standing down), Anne Kaile, DAT Trustee, Claire Skinner, (new DAT Trustee), Sarah Heal, and Geoff Pritchard

Present online: Julie Montagu (new DAT Trustee), Kate Terkanian, DAT Trustee, Pam Donnellan, DAT Trustee (standing down), Angus Campbell, Glen Fowler, and Sara Loch, DAT Trustee (items 7-9 only.)

1. President's Welcome

Carola Campbell welcomed everyone to the meeting and summarised the format of the AGM agenda.

2. Apologies: Billie Brown, David Burnett, Christine and Jim Dipple, Anthony and Val Pitt-Rivers, Freda Hennessey, David Jenkins, John Worth

3. Declaration of Interests: Kate Terkanian is now a Trustee for Poole Museum, but this is not regarded as a conflict of interest with Dorset Archives Trust.

4. Minutes of the Dorset Archives Trust 15th AGM: held at the Dorset History Centre Thursday 16 May 2024 were accepted as a true record. "Draft" to be removed and then signed off.

5. Chairman's Report 2024-2025 together with the report of the Service Manager for Archives and Records

The Chair, Chris Fowler, gave her report in collaboration with Sam Johnston. Carola Campbell thanked them for their report and the wonderful work which has taken place especially in the areas of advocacy, events and fundraising.

6. Treasurer's Report Financial Year 01.04.24- 31.03.25:

The Honorary Treasurer presented her report. She referred to the accounts which had been circulated. At the end of the year, total funds were £77509.33 of which:

Unrestricted funds - £20695.51 freely available to support the work of the Dorset History Centre (DHC) and Restricted funds - £56,813.82. The accounts have been independently examined by Kerry Gill, a qualified accountant. The Treasurer paid tribute to the Hon Membership Secretary and Carola thanked both of them for their hard work.

The accounts were accepted. Proposed by Claire Skinner and seconded by Vicky McDonough.



- 7. Election of Trustees to serve 2025 – 2028:** Current Board members, Pam Donnellan and Jacqui Halewood stood down and were thanked for their huge contribution to DAT – 12 years and 25 years in total; Debbie Shaw, Hon Treasurer and Kate Terkanian were standing for re-election; and Claire Skinner and Julie Montagu were seeking election as new co-opted Trustees.

The elections were agreed on bloc: proposed by Chris Fowler and seconded by Annie Nethercott.

- 8. Election of Independent Examiner (Auditor):** The Honorary Treasurer recommended retaining Kelly Gill as the Independent Examiner. This recommendation was carried, proposed by Jacqui Halewood, and seconded by Debbie Shaw.

9. Any Other Business:

There being no other business, Carola Campbell closed the meeting with thanks.

The meeting concluded at 12:15 pm