

West Yorkshire County Scout Council
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Via Zoom

Thursday 23rd September 2021

1. Chairman's Welcome.

Ian Womersley & Linda Malloy extended a warm welcome to scout council members, parents, young people and in particular to our honoured guest Kim Leadbeater MP, County President. All attendees were reminded that the meeting was also being recorded and gave out instructions for all participants re: webcams and muting.

Vote on agreement of online AGM voting electronically held at 2020 AGM (All in favour) holds for this year's AGM also.

2. Reflection.

Given by Toby Hammond – Youth Commissioner

3. Apologies for absence.

Chris Watson, Gillian Caine, David Sowden, Ian Hill, David Gill & Helen Roy

4. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 16th September 2019.

Proposed as an accurate record by Phil Pearson and Seconded by Elaine Clough.
Approved by electronic vote – 61% in favour, 39% Abstain (did not attend)

5. The Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2020.

Presented by John Greenwood

- The annual accounts have been circulated these are for the financial year 2020/2021 ending 31st March – these were approved by County Executive 22nd July 2021.
- Our Auditor was happy with the accounts although due to the effects of Covid it was a quiet year for activities.

WYS Trading Accounts were presented by Jonathan Booth

Linda Malloy gave thanks to all the County Trustees and WYS Trading directors, both current and those who have stepped down for all their hard work on the Executive Committee, sub committees in what has been an incredibly tough 12 months.

Review of the Year – Ian Womersley

Ian Womersley gave thanks to:

- John Greenwood for his 44 year service to county scouting, 20 of which as Treasurer as he is retiring this year.
- Claire Fletcher for her 3 years as County Secretary, as she is stepping down from her role.
- Jonathan Booth, John Reynolds and Ian Clough who went above and beyond during the pandemic to safeguard the county assets as directors of WYS Trading.

6. The County Commissioner's nomination for County Chair.

Ian Womersley gave thanks to Leslie Peers for his efforts as Chair for the past year, as he has now stepped down to focus on WYS Trading as a Director and on the Management Committee. The search for a new Chair will begin after this AGM.

7. Election of officers to serve the County Scout Council.

County Treasurer: Sue Caselton - Proposed by Elaine Clough, Seconded by Vicki Pearson

County Secretary: Sharron Kelshaw - Proposed by Howard Fishwick, Seconded by Gareth Pierce

County Auditor: Brosnans - Proposed by Sue Caselton, Seconded by John Reynolds Approved by electronic vote – All in favour.

8. Elected members of Council to the County Executive Committee.

Linda Malloy explained that the elected posts on the County Executive is a 3-year term. This year there was one place for election. One nomination for the position on the County Executive was received and therefore there was no requirement for an election and they are duly elected:

The Elected members are:

Linda Malloy – Proposed by Howard Fishwick, Seconded by Toby Hammond. Approved by electronic vote – 93% in favour, 7% Abstain

Phil Pearson – starting 2nd year term

Callum McNulty – starting 2nd year term

Beth Halligan (Youth Member) – continuing

9. The County Commissioners nominations to the County Executive Committee.

The County Commissioner's nominations are:

John Reynolds, Elaine Clough, Gareth Pierce and Howard Fishwick

10. Representatives to the Council of the Scout Association.

Linda confirmed that as part of our constitution we nominate both an Adult and Youth Member of Council to serve as a member to TSA Council for three years. As the current representatives, Victoria Pearson – Adult Representative and Xavi Terry – Youth rep, have only served two years of this term they will be continuing their roles.

11. The County Commissioner – Ian Womersley

Ian Womersley – County Commissioner addressed the County Scout Council.

Addresses also given by:

Elaine Clough – Deputy County Commissioner - Growth

Toby Hammond – County Youth Commissioner

Gareth Pierce – Deputy County Commissioner - Protect

Howard Fishwick – Deputy County Commissioner – Volunteer Journey

Matt Turner – Deputy County Commissioner – Top Awards

Phil Pearson – Deputy County Commissioner – Programme

Dan Breeze – ACC Squirrels

Ian thanked Linda Malloy for stepping in at the last minute to go through the governance part of the AGM

12. The Regional Commissioner – Ian Hill

Ian Hill – Regional Commissioner addressed the County Scout Council via a video message

13. The County President – Kim Leadbeater MP

Kim Leadbeater MP – County President addressed the County Scout Council

14. County Chairs Close & Date of Next Meeting

Linda Malloy thanked Vicki Pearson for putting together the information for this AGM, Toby Hammond for the technical input and Ian Womersley for the support in chairing this AGM.

She also thanked for everyone for rising to the challenge of 2020/21 and for attending tonight.

The meeting closed

Date of Next AGM: 7.30pm Thursday 22nd September 2021.