



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 21st MAY 2024

AGENDA

1. Welcome address from the Chair
2. To approve the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
3. To receive the Committee's report on the activities of the Society.
4. To receive the Treasurers' report and approve the accounts for the years ended 31st December 2022 and 2023.
5. To confirm Philip O'Neill as Independent Examiner for 2024/5
6. To consider the Committee's proposed amendments to the Society's Constitution of which this Agenda is notice for the purposes of paragraph 9(a) of the Constitution: -
It is proposed by Sheila Lister (Chair) and seconded by Kevin Barnett (Treasurer) that-
 - (1) Paragraph 7(c) of the Society's Constitution which is presently "*The society's financial year shall end on 31st December in every year*" be amended to read-
"With effect from 1st July 2025, the Society's financial year will commence on 1st July and end on 30th June of the next following year."
 - (2) The words "*for the avoidance of doubt the membership year shall run from 1st July until 30th June of the next following year*" be added at the end of paragraph 8(a) of the Constitution so that it becomes-
"The subscription for ordinary members of the society shall be such a sum as may be determined by the committee from time to time. The first payment shall be due on

election to membership and due annually on 30th June each year, for the avoidance of doubt the membership year shall run from 1st July until 30th June of the next following year.”

You are invited to read the accompanying paper which explains the reasons for such changes.

7. To consider any resolutions proposed and seconded by members and received by noon 17th April 2024
8. To consider any nomination for election to the Committee proposed and seconded by members and received by noon 17th April 2024
9. (a) To elect the Officers of the committee, namely-
Chair: Sheila Lister:-till end of June 2024 (proposed by Kevin Barnett and seconded by Alison Dawson)
Vice Chairman & Treasurer: Kevin Barnett (proposed by Sheila Lister and seconded by Mary Carter)
Hon.Secretary: Libby Riddell (proposed by Sheila Lister and seconded by Kevin Barnett.
(b) To elect the current members of the committee *en bloc* as proposed by Sheila Lister and seconded by Kevin Barnett, namely-
Madeleine Lane: Events Organiser
Lea McGee: Community Arts Team
Val Shannon: Programme Secretary
(c) To confirm Alison Dawson as Acting IT Administrator, Pam Hamill as Acting Events Organiser, Mary Carter as Acting Community Arts Team and Gillian Roe who will assume the role of Membership Secretary and Bruce Lane as general committee members **and elect** them as members of the committee (proposed by Sheila Lister and seconded by Libby Riddell)
10. To discuss informally any other business with the permission of the Chair
11. Date of the next AGM -to be advised.