

Friends of Gloucestershire Archives CIO Annual General Meeting held on 27 October 2016

The President, Dame Janet Trotter, Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum, welcomed everyone to the meeting and congratulated Heather on her award. FoGA members know she is brilliant but to be recognised nationally is a great honour. It was also an historic meeting as it was the first AGM of FoGA CIO.

1. Apologies: Olivia Amphlett, Martin and Ann Bailey, Steven Blake, John Loosley, Fiona Mead, Caroline Meller, Judy Hodsdon, Peter Byers

2. Minutes of the previous AGM The minutes of the 2015 SGM have already been approved but were noted as they recorded the decision by members to form the new FoGA CIO in November 2015. The minutes of the final unincorporated FoGA AGM on May 26 2016 were approved.

3. Chairman's Report

Stephen Haygarth welcomed everyone to the first CIO. There has been much work behind the scenes transferring old FoGA to FoGA CIO. The new FoGA CIO financial year accounts will remain the same and run from 16 January 2016 to 31 March 2017, The 2nd AGM will be held a little later next year in July or September. Gloucester Rugby Heritage has formed its own CIO and their funds will be transferred to the old FoGA account and from their to the new CIO account when the GRH CIO bank accounts have been set up.

This was approved by members.

The Chair announced that the fund-raising target for FTR had been met with received and pledged amounts. The FTR build has been delayed therefore there was a possibility that costs might increase.

Stephen thanked his fellow trustees for all their work during the year.

4. Treasurer's report

Fund-raising for the FTR. This year grants have been received or pledged from the Wolfson Foundation, Garfield Weston Trust, Bingham Library Trust, Summerfield Trust, Mrs K. D. Winstone Memorial Trust, Allchurches Trust Ltd, Donations have been received from parishes, members, donations' boxes, map sales and from FoGA's own funds.

Stephen proposed that the old FoGA accounts would be circulated to members and then approved by Trustees in light of members' questions or comments. This was approved.

Dame Janet Trotter thanked the treasurer for all his hard work during this year of change and for his exceptional success in applying for grants as it is no easy task.

Heather Forbes also paid tribute to Stephen for his success in applying for grants.

5. The Resignation of the existing Trustees was accepted

6. Election of Trustees

Stephen Haygarth, Hilary Haygarth, Alison Hobson, Clive Andrews, Elizabeth Jack, Heather Forbes, Caroline Meller, James Hodsdon, John Williams were all re-elected as Trustees and this was approved by members present.

7. Archivist's report including 'For the Record' update

It is 2 years since the first news of the HLF grant. The one year since the subsequent bid concerning fund-raising and designs. The change of architect and contractors and the delay in receiving quotes from subcontractors has caused the build start to be delayed now until after Christmas. This has meant that the search room has not been changed as yet and there is still parking on site. A lot of reorganisation of archive material has taken place.

Activity plans for the future are well in hand.

Tribute was paid to Katrina Keir, and Shaun Carroll who retires and Helen Timlin who has set up her own freelance business, together they have contributed over 50 years of service.

8. AOB. None

The meeting closed at 8pm.

Heather Forbes, County Archivist. then gave a presentation on '2016 birthday celebrations – looking back at 80 years of Gloucestershire's archives service, and 90 years, the former Kingsholm School'.