

Liverpool Botanical Society AGM Agenda

12 February 2023

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Minutes of last AGM

3. Matters arising

4. Hon. Treasurer's Report

5. Hon. Librarian's Report

6. Hon. Secretary's Report

7. Election of Officers

8. Election of Council Members

9. Election of Auditor

10. A.O.B.

Liverpool Botanical Society Annual General Meeting

Held 12/02/2022

SC in the chair and 16 members present.

1. Apologies: Donna Young, Robert Freeth, Peter Tipping.

2. Minutes of previous meeting:

- WA read out the minutes of the previous meeting, they were agreed as an accurate account.

3. Matters Arising: No matters arising.

4. Hon. Treasurer's report:

- Peter Gateley presented the balance sheet and summary of accounts. The overall balance stood at £6639.19
- Adoption of the report was nominated by Barbara Allen and seconded by Steve Cross.

- **5. Hon. Librarian's report:** None given
- **6. Hon. Secretary's report:**
- WA presented her report on the society's activities over the past 2 years. Adoption of the report was nominated by Peter Gateley and seconded by John Crowder.
- **7. Election of Officers:**
 - Steve Cross showed the current list of officers on screen, Howard Harris stood down from his role as Honorary Vice-President. No nominations were received for this post
 - A vote was carried to elect the following Officers en bloc, as follows:-

- Hon. President Steve Cross
- Hon. Vice-President Peter Tipping
- Hon. Secretary Wendy Atkinson
- Hon. Treasurer Peter Gateley
- Hon. Editor Steve Cross
- Hon. Librarian Wendy Atkinson
- Nominated by Mary Dean and seconded by Kay Bankier.

- **8. Election of Council:**

- No nominations were received from members wishing to join the council. A vote was carried to elect the following Council members en bloc, as follows:-
- Robert Freeth, Julia Simons, Barbara Allen, John Crowder, Eric Greenwood, and Kay Bankier.
- Nominated by Barbara Greenwood and seconded by Mary Dean.

- **9. Election of Auditor** Peter Tipping was elected as auditor, nominated by Peter Gateley and seconded by Wendy Atkinson.
- **A.O.B.**
- Margaret Reid asked how the Zoom account is being paid for. Steve Cross is generously allowing us to use his account.
- Meriel Jones reminded members that this year's 'University Botanical Challenge' will be online on February 16 & 23. The URL is on our website and was posted in the chat.
- **Member's slides then followed.**
- Despite the limited number of field meetings in 2021, Peter Gateley and Steve Cross kindly showed a vast array of slides from last year's sites. Some highlights included Musk Thistle (*Carduus nutans*) and Water Fern (*Azolla filiculoides*) at Burton, a colony of Green-flowered Helleborine (*Epipactis phyllanthes*) that turned up in a council flowerbed in Ormskirk, and a number of fungi from Dibbinsdale, plant galls and the common liverwort *Conocephalum conicum*.

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Council

Election of Officers

Hon. President	Steve Cross
Hon. Vice-Pres.	Peter Tipping
One vacant post	
Hon. Secretary	Wendy Atkinson
Hon. Treasurer	Robert Freeth
Hon. Editor	Steve Cross
Hon. Librarian	Wendy Atkinson
Auditor	Vacant

Election of Council Members

Barbara Allen
John Crowder
Kay Bankier
Peter Gateley
Meriel Jones
Vacant posts (up to a maximum of ten)

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