

## **Minutes of the 31st Annual General Meeting of CPRE Bedfordshire Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018 @ The Howard Room, Bedford – 7pm**

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### **Attendees**

**47**

### **1 Apologies for Absence**

Susan Lynch, Martin Christopher, Mohammed Yasin MP, Anna Blomfield, Pam Rumfitt, Sir Evelyn de Rothschild, Barbara and Roger Wheeler, Alan James, Angela and Douglas Hillyard, Alan Hunter

### **2 Minutes of the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of CPRE Bedfordshire Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at Stratton Upper School, Biggleswade**

**2.1** Approval proposed by Geoff Lambert, seconded by Paul Jenkins. The minutes were then accepted by the meeting as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**2.2** Matters Arising

**2.3** No matters arising.

### **4 Trustees Report**

Gerry Sansom gave a presentation regarding the proposed numbers and developments in the local plans. He highlighted the vast numbers being proposed and the impact that would have in Bedfordshire. Gerry also detailed the drivers for this level of development and concluded his presentation by sharing successes of the local branch and CPRE nationally.

**4.1** Approval proposed by Gerry Sansom and seconded by Alan Apling. The meeting then approved the Trustees Report.

### **5 Statement of Accounts to December 2017**

**5.1** Statement of Accounts and Treasurers Report presented by Chris Hall. Audited Accounts and treasurers report circulated. Chris highlighted the overspend on the LCAs and the increased cost of producing Bedfordshire Matters newsletters. Chris informed members that our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary appeal has been very successful raising £6150. Additional revenue will be raised from this amount when gift aid is added. Some of the money raised will be invested into promoting the work of the branch through social media. Chris gave thanks to Margaret Carpenter for auditing accounts and trustees, staff and volunteers for their work.

**5.2** Approval proposed by Martin Towson and seconded by Peter Scott. Approved by meeting *nem. con.*

**6 Election of Officers and Executive Committee 2018 - 2019**

**6.1 Chair**

One nomination for position of Chair; Gerry Sansom. Proposed by Mary Walsh  
Seconded by Chris Hall. Approved by meeting *nem. con.*

**6.2 Vice Chair**

Michael Stonnell offered himself for vice chair. Proposed by Gerry Sansom seconded by  
Mary Walsh. Approved by meeting *nem. con.*

**6.3 Honorary Treasurer**

One nomination for position of honorary treasurer: Chris Hall. Proposed by Gerry Sansom  
seconded by Alan Apling. Approved by meeting *nem. con.*

**6.4 Honorary Secretary**

Position of Honorary Secretary: vacant

**6.5 Executive Committee Members**

6 trustees nominated for re-election; Mary Walsh, Susan Lynch,  
Martin Christopher and Lau Tambjerg.

Paul Jenkins to join the executive committee. Paul has been volunteering with CPRE  
Beds for some time and is a Parish councillor in Turvey. Gerry added that Paul will be a great  
asset to the Executive committee.

Alan Apling to be allowed one more year on the executive committee  
Proposed by Gerry Sansom and seconded by the Floor. Approved by meeting  
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**7 Any Other Business**

From the floor Anne Collet White thanked Gerry for all his good work as Chair of the  
branch.

Meeting closed at 19.30, followed by a talk by Professor Paul Leinster CBE –  
Accounting for the Natural Environment in the Oxford Cambridge Growth Corridor.

Signed following approval as a true record.....  
Chair, CPRE Bedfordshire Branch