

Corbridge Gardening Society

Minutes of AGM 16th March 2017

President's Report

Ian Clarke reported that it had been very good year for CGS, and thanked the committee, and the Chair in particular, for all their hard work. He encouraged new people to come forward to help with the organisation that is needed behind the scenes.

Apologies:

Miles Middleton
Linden and Neville Furness
Peter and Carol McKendrick
Penelope Scrope

Minutes of AGM 2016

Accepted as a true record, proposed by Jim Marris, seconded by Mo Lucas.

Matters arising from minutes

Mo Lucas enquired as to what had been done about the idea of purchasing a lectern for visiting speakers. Jen Simpson reported that nothing had been done but it would be looked at this year.

Chair's report

The report had been circulated by email in advance of the meeting.
JS let the audience know that we now have task groups in places for the tours and trips, and also to organise the Inter Society lecture for 2018. She encouraged members to volunteer to form a catering group.

Statement of accounts

No queries were raised about the accounts, which had been circulated by email in advance of the meeting. Margaret Johnson proposed their acceptance as a true record, seconded by Derek Walker.

Appointment of auditor

Miles Middleton was appointed in his absence, but with his agreement, as auditor.

Election of Committee members

JS explained that there was a state of flux with committee members, because although a number were standing down, they had agreed to continue their jobs through the year until their particular activity had been completed. A show of hands from the audience agreed that those in question could stay on the committee, on that basis, and Jen encouraged others to come forward to take on the various roles that would be vacated.

Secretary's notices

Alison Carter asked those who haven't provided us with an email address to do so, as most communication was now electronic. For the benefit of those who hadn't been receiving the ebulletins, AC let people know that they had to collect their programme/membership cards, and gave out the dates of the next two CGS events ie the Spring Show and the Plant Sale.

AOB relevant to the AGM

None

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JS announced that there were a few rooms still available for the summer tour.

Jane Hastings asked for help with the Plant Sale and circulated a list for people to sign.

JS asked for offers of food, and helpers for the Spring Show, and again a list was circulated.