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## **Annual General Meeting**

Monday 3 November 2014  
Cross Keys RFC

### **MINUTES**

#### **Attendance**

Alan Booth; Julie Bram; Sue Evans, Terry Evans (Chair), Andrew George; PC Simon James; Sue Jones; David Parry; Rob Southall; Lyndon Sutton; Maggie Thomas; Howard Vicary

#### **1. Chair's Opening Remarks**

1.1 The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming members.

#### **2. Apologies**

2.1 Apologies were received from Jack Hanbury Tenyson; and Roger Stevenson

#### **3. Minutes of last AGM and Matters Arising**

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 7 October 2013 were agreed.

#### **4. Chairman's Report**

4.1 The Chair provided a summary of his report and summarised some of the Society's achievements over the previous 12 months which included:

- The successful completion of the Tidy Twmp project using £24,000 funding from the Welsh Government's Tidy Towns initiative for work to deter anti-social behaviour, to prevent fly tipping, widen public access to the Tump and provide signage. Society members had erected over a kilometre of fencing, planted 4,000 trees and laid 20 metres of stone pathway.
- Chris Evans MP, Jocelyn Davies AM and Gwyn Price AM had attended a tree planting ceremony to mark the completion of the project.



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- Monthly workdays to enable volunteers to contribute to the ongoing upkeep of the Tump
- Raising awareness of the Society through walks, talks and quizzes and a regular feature in the local Directory magazine

The Chairman's full report is attached at annex A.

## **5 Secretary's Report**

5.1 This was included in the Chariman's report.

## **6. Treasurer's Report**

6.1 SE tabled the Annual Report for 2013-14 at Annex B.

6.2 The closing balance was £6,137.48 although that included £5,000 which had been earmarked for interpretation work at the Tump

## **7. Membership Secretary's Report**

7.1 MT reported that the Society had 45 members. 230 people followed CTS on Facebook.

## **8. Election of Trustees**

8.1 The following trustees were elected:

- Alan Booth
- Sue Evans
- Terry Evans
- Andrew George
- David Parry
- Rob Southall
- Maggie Thomas
- Howard Vicary

TE said that Roger Stevenson no longer wished to be a trustee. Members agreed to record their thanks for his contribution to the Society.

It was agreed to invite Norman Liversuch to be a co-opted trustee in due course.

## **9. Any Other Business**



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9.1 PC Simon James reported that as a result of his regular patrols and CTS activity, there was less off-road activity at Twm Barlwm because the problem had been displaced elsewhere. He noted that the first successful prosecution for fly-tipping at Twm Barlwm had recently taken place.

## **10. Chair's Closing Remarks**

10.1 The Chair thanked members for attending. He emphasised that the work of the Society was far from complete as the Tidy Twmp work would need to be consolidated and other areas of the Society's Mission Statement such as archaeology, recording flora and fauna and surveys had been under-developed. He also referred to the potential for CTS to work in partnership with other organisations and stakeholders such as the campaign to prevent permanent closure of the Cwmcarn Forest Drive. The key to the future success of the Society would be the extent to which it engaged with the community and received the active support of its members.