



Minutes  
of the  
**Regional AGM for  
North Thames**  
held online  
on  
18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022 AT 4:00PM

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**In Attendance:**

William Innes-Taylor (Oak View Landscapes), Darren Skidmore (Skidmores of Hertford), Rosemary Coldstream (MBALI), David Mulholland (BALI Vetting Officer), Chris Carr (Harroden Turf), Matt O'Conner (John O'Conner Grounds Maintenance), Kathie Coss (Associate Member), Ian Chatters (IDC Greenscapes), Andy Spetch (British Sugar TOPSOIL), Simon Hedley (Boughton), Kim Compton (British Sugar TOPSOIL), Ben Shaw (Adtrak Media), Ed Belderbos (Belderbos Landscapes), Matt Nokes (Ground Control), Nigel Bowcock (Acre Landscapes), Colin Byrne (Dagenham Landscapes), Mark Gregory (Landform Consultants), Oliver Collins (ACO Technologies)

Wayne Grills (Chief Executive), Kirsty Wood (Operations Manager), Laura Doyle (Regional Support Officer), Richard Kay (National Chairman)

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**1. Apologies**

Kerry Wilson (student)

**2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting 2021**

The minutes were taken as read.

Proposed: Matt O'Conner

Seconder: David Mulholland

**3. Matters arising from the previous minutes**

None

**4. Presentation and adoption of the Regional Chairman's report**

Presented by William Innes-Taylor

- The last year has been challenging for all members. We hoped to do more physical events than we managed to sadly due to different developments of the virus, however there are lots of exciting plans for the 12 months ahead of us
- William and the committee are proud to have hosted several digital events, and the first in-person event whilst restrictions were temporarily lifted
- Our RHS Hilltop event was a great success and gave us a great platform for future regional events. Thanks to those that were able to attend for making it a great day-

- We will be looking to include events that feature networking, education/upskilling and sneak peaks of exciting projects
- William extends his thanks to the committee and wider region for their support and engagement over the last 12 months and looks forwards to seeing everybody at upcoming events

#### 5. Presentation and adoption of the regional finance report

Income: £470

Expenditure: £440

Profit: £30

Proposed: Colin Byrne

Secunder: David Mulholland

#### 6. Election of Officers

Chairman William Innes-Taylor Oak View Landscapes

Vice Chair Darren Skidmore Skidmores of Hertford

Proposed: David Mulholland

Secunder: Rosemary Coldstream

Committee Members	Colin Byrne	Dagenham Landscapes
	David Sisley	Garden Designs and Landscapes
	Matt O'Conner	John O'Conner (Grounds Maintenance)
	Kevin Copping	Buckland Landscapes
	Kathie Coss	Associate Member
	David Houghton	Kings Landscapes (Milton Keynes)
	Kim Campton	British Sugar TOPSOIL

Proposed committee member: Ian Chatters IDC Greenscapes

Proposed: William Innes-Taylor

Secunder: Matt O'Conner

#### 7. Regional events diary for 2021

- Bio-security event at Provender Nurseries
- Collaborative cross-Thames event – 'Meet on the Thames'
- Sneak peak of the Tower of London project with Mark Gregory
- RHS Hilltop revisited workshop – one year on and building insights
- Blue/green roof workshop with Lindum Turf

#### 8. Any other business

- None