

Minutes of the **Regional AGM for South West** held online on 20TH JANUARY 2022 AT 4:00PM

In Attendance:

Andrew Legg (Associate Life Member), Peter Killen (Peter Killen Landscape Designs), Paul Lynch (Elmtree Garden Contractors), Martin Shaw (Walmsley Shaw), Jodie Read (Penarth Management), Richard Gardiner (BALI Vetting Officer), Chris Carr (Harrowden Turf), Suzi Cross (Ecosulis), Richard Stone (Bawden Managed Landscapes)

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

- 1. Apologies Tessa Johnstone (Johnstone Landscapes)
- 2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting 2021 The minutes were taken as read.

Proposed: Suzi Cross Seconder: Andrew Legg

3. Matters arising from the previous minutes. N/A

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

Presented by Paul Lynch

- Paul reflected upon his recent Chairmanship and expressed that it may have been quieter than we would have liked in terms of in-person events, but he is proud that we did manage to meet for our first in-person event at National Trust property Dyrham Park
- Paul expressed his thanks to Martin from Walmsley Shaw for showing us his fantastic project to restore historic pathways at Dyrham Park
- Paul mentioned some upcoming events that are in planning stages and encourages any member within the region to come forward and be more involved with the committee and event/workshop planning

- Paul expressed his support for our new mental health initiative, and thanked BALI for taking the issue so seriously and reacting with positive help
- Paul thanked the committee and Regional Support Officer Laura for their support over the last 12 months

5. Presentation and adoption of the regional finance report

Income: £366.72 Expenditure: £214.83 Profit: £151.89 Proposed: Andrew Legg Seconder: Peter Killen

6. Election of Officers

Chairman	Paul Lynch	Elmtree Garden Contractors
Vice Chair	Tessa Johnstone	Johnstone Landscapes
Committee Members	Andrew Legg Peter Killen Simon Oliver Suzi Cross Martin Shaw	Associate Life Member Peter Killen Landscape Design St Johns Garden Centre Ecosulis Walmsley Shaw

Standing down:

Robert Adcock

Somergreen & Somergreen Maintenance

Proposed: Suzi Cross Seconder: Peter Killen

7. Regional events diary for 2022

- Hilliers specimen tree planting event
- Highgrove Estate tour and dry-stone walling workshop
- Environmental awareness & understanding legislation webinars
- Visit to the Newt
- Head Gardener tour of Ilford Manor
- Herbfest
- Stone Zone networking and BBQ
- Visit to Westonbirt National Arboretum

8. Any other business

Richard Kay thanked everybody for their commitment and involvement over the last 12 months.