



Minutes
of the
**Regional AGM for
Yorkshire & North East**
held online
on
20TH JANUARY 2022 AT 12:00PM

In Attendance:

Lee Bestall (Bestall, Lee (MBALI, MSGD), Tom Owen (Van den Berk Nurseries), Richard Gill (Green-tech), Ryan Horsman (J. Palmer Landscapes), Ricky Whiteman (Gavin Jones), Kris Nellist (Green-tech)

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

1. Apologies

Andrew Barker (Johnsons of Whixley)
Charlie MacLauchlan (Country Gardens)

2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting 2021

The minutes were taken as read.

Proposed: Richard Gill
Seconder: Tom Owen

3. Matters arising from the previous minutes.

A 'meet the committee' page for the BALI website was discussed last year. The committee would like to re-engage with marketing to make this happen.

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

Presented by Lee Bestall

- Lee thanked everybody involved with Choose it. Move it. Plant it. in September 2021 for their hard work on the event, particularly Ricky Whiteman and Tom Owen for their roles in organising the event. It was great for networking, and everybody learned lots with the live workshops. Feedback from the event was excellent.
- The committee have kept in touch and communicated really well over the last year, despite not being able to host in-person committee meetings. Digital meetings and our committee Whatsapp group have worked well for us.

- Lee welcomes new faces and the wider region to be more involved with events and committee, and would like to focus on building a stronger network of members within the region
- Vice Chair – Richard Gill (Green-tech) added that he is pleased that we managed to put on an in-person event in during the year with changing restrictions, and looks forward to even more successful events over the coming 12 months

5. Presentation and adoption of the regional finance report

Income: £1633.52

Expenditure: £1272.43

Profit: £361.09

Proposed: Richard Gill

Seconder: Tom Owen

6. Election of Officers

Chairman	Lee Bestall	Bestall, Lee MBALI
Vice Chair	Richard Gill	Green-tech

Proposed: Tom Owen

Seconder: Richard Kay

Committee Members

Liam Pickering	First Light Landscaping
Ricky Whiteman	Gavin Jones
Thomas O'Brien	Pudsey Landscapes
Tom Owen	Van den Berk Nurseries

Proposed committee member:	Ryan Horseman	J. Palmer Landscapes
	Andrew Barker	Johnsons of Whixley

Standing down:	Charlie MacLauchlan	Country Gardens
	Tony Coles	Johnsons of Whixley

Proposed: Richard Kay

Seconder: Tom Owens

7. Regional events diary for 2022

- Growing pains business support workshop
- Paving/jointing compounds workshop and talk
- Social networking/go karting
- Garden/project visit with talk with a private head gardener

8. Any other business

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