



BEAULIEU HISTORY SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2020

Agenda

1. Introduction

The arrangements for our Annual General Meeting for the 2020 financial year will be as advised in the Notice circulated to members, i.e. be held on Friday 26th February virtually among the Committee with the minimum number of other members to be quorate. This format is deemed appropriate due to the very simple procedural requirements of this year's formal meeting and lack of other substantive business. It will follow the Agenda as set out below.

Following receipt of this AGM document, members are invited to submit any comments, questions and suggestions for consideration, by email to the Secretary: gillian.s@mac.com.

2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 31st January 2020.

The Draft Minutes having been circulated, any comments received will be reviewed, and the finalised Minutes will then be voted on, for approval.

3. Chairman's Report: Emma Page

The Committee much regret that the Covid-19 pandemic prevented us from holding meetings in 2020 except for the talk on Maritime Archaeology in the Solent, on the evening of our AGM last year. We were able to keep in touch through our Newsletters in February, August and October. The committee met by zoom and kept under review the possibility of rescheduling meetings if the lifting of lockdown regulations had so permitted. Improvements were made to the functionality of the BHS website. We are very keen to recommence our normal programme of meetings and visits as soon as circumstances permit.

Subscriptions: The Committee proposes that the Annual Subscription for 2021 remains at £5. Recognising the postponement of meetings in 2020 and currently, Members who paid subscriptions in 2020 will not be charged for 2021. Members who have not paid in 2020 will be charged for 2021 if and when attending their next BHS meeting, assuming these can be held later in 2021. Members who have paid by standing order in 2020 and 2021 will be entitled to one year's refund or credit towards any other BHS expenditure.

On behalf of the Committee, we send our best wishes for the coming months and express our determination to meet again as soon as the regulations permit us to do so.

4. Secretary's Report: Gillian Strathcarron

This has been an unusual year. We hope our members will stay with us while we communicate by email. Our membership number remains more or less the same as in 2019, i.e. approximately 150 active members. We have sold one copy of *The Older Houses of Beaulieu*, leaving us with 5 copies remaining and two copies of *Beaulieu in Tudor and Stuart Times*, leaving us with 88 copies.

Beaulieu in Tudor and Stuart Times by Alan Bartlett has been accepted by The London Library in St James's Square and will be available to borrow by over 6000 members. The book was introduced to the library by committee member and biographer, Christina Dykes. This is a great accolade for our book and the news will be shared with Alan Bartlett's family.

Sadly, three of our members died this year. David Knight was a very keen supporter and he and his wife Gloria were always among the first people to arrive at our meetings. Another regular supporter we have lost is David Matcham who always attended with his wife. In December, John Hawkins died. John made a tremendous contribution to the Society's meetings, especially during the years when his wife, Gill, was Secretary. They will all be remembered and missed.

5. Treasurer's Report: Peter Marling Roberts

In this quite extraordinary year I am glad to say that it was financially uneventful for the Beaulieu History Society and that the financial situation of the society continues to be very sound. The committee would also like to thank Adam Mills for reviewing the accounts and they can now be found on the Beaulieu History Society's web site. Adam has also kindly agreed to review the BHS accounts again in 2021. Subscriptions and other meetings income was understandably down to £456 in 2020, compared to £881 in 2019, due to only one meeting at the beginning of the year. The BHS also received a generous donation from the Common Good Fund of £400. Excess Income over expenditure was £500.50 compared to £462.50 the previous year. The Bank balance on December 31st 2020 was £5,702.50 compared to £5,202 the previous year.

Beaulieu History Society Financial Statements 2020		
Balance sheet as of December 31st 2020		
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Assets		
Bank	5,702.50	5,202.00
	<u>£5,702.50</u>	<u>£5,202.00</u>
Reserves		
Accumulated fund	5,202.00	4,739.50
Surplus on income and expenditure account	500.50	462.50
	<u>£5,702.50</u>	<u>£5,202.00</u>
Income and expenditure account Year ended December 31st 2020		
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Subscriptions and other income		
Subscriptions	456.00	881.00
Titchfield income	0.00	220.00
Grant from Common Good Fund	400.00	0.00
Sale of Books	0.00	79.00
Dinner and other income	50.00	0.00
	<u>906.00</u>	<u>1,180.00</u>
Expenses		
Venue hire	35.00	125.00
Refreshments and Dinner costs	163.00	65.00
Projectionist/sound recording	35.00	0.00
Printing and stationery	0.00	0.00
Insurance cover	75.00	75.00
Website development	57.50	57.50
other and coach hire	40.00	395.00
Total expenses	<u>405.50</u>	<u>717.50</u>
Excess of Income over expenditure	<u>£500.50</u>	<u>£462.50</u>
To members of the Beaulieu History Society:		
Adam Mills reviewed the accounts of the Beaulieu History Society for the year ended December 31st 2020 and confirms they are in accordance with the underlying books and records of the Society. There are no matters arising from the review which need to be brought to the attention of the members.		
Adam Mills, Independent reviewer, St Leonards farmhouse, Beaulieu, SO42 7XF January 2020		

6. Election of Officers for 2021

1. Nominations from members willing to serve: none have been received.
2. Committee Members retire at the AGM in accordance with the Constitution. All are willing to stand for election again and are proposed to continue in their existing roles:

Chairman	Emma Page
Vice Chairman	John Pemberton
Secretary	Gillian Strathcarron
Treasurer	Peter Marling- Roberts
Members	Christina Dykes, Dene McCulloch, Mary Montagu-Scott, Ken Robinson

7. Any Other Business

Note to members: all points, comments, questions and suggestions submitted by members in advance will be considered by the Committee at the appropriate point in the Agenda. A note of decisions taken will be recorded in the Minutes of this year's AGM which will be circulated to members following the meeting.