

NENTHEAD MINES CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Charity number 1166281

Minutes of the Fourth Annual General Meeting held at Nenthead Village Hall on 28th May 2016

Present: Rosemary Vidler, Bob Vidler, Jake Almond, Judy Harrison, Martyn Langley, Elizabeth Hunt, Steve Bentley, Don Borthwick, Raymond Hall, Alan Nixon, Alastair Robertson, Sheila Barker, Colin Fowler, David Kinrade, James Heaton, Frank Lowes, Diana Hall, Nick Green, Colin Wilkinson, Steve Holding, Joyce Jackson, Gary Dennis, Peter Jackson

1 Apologies were received from:

John Hine, Alan Robinson, Vicky Robinson, David Greenwood, Andrew Richards, Mike Richards, Mike Poulter, Kevin Baker, Alec Langley, Graham Brooks, Dick Phillips, Edward Haslam, Allan Richardson, David Alderson, Beth Valkai, Ste Valkai, Russell Bulman, Mike Higgins, John Hopkinson, Susan Hopkinson, Karen Beer, David McAnally, Mike Higgins, Helen Wilkinson.

2 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 30th May 2015

The formal minutes were agreed. Proposed by Colin Fowler, seconded by Bob Vidler.

3 Matters Arising from Minutes

None

4 Consideration of the Society Accounts for 2015 - 2016

Accounts prepared by Ray Hall, Treasurer. There was a query about the value of equipment on site which was resolved by agreeing the Society needed to move towards the production of an asset register. A further query about the gas expenditure was clarified in that it only relates to the Assay House building.

The accounts were agreed. Proposed by Steve Holding, seconded by Gary Dennis.

5. Report of the Management Committee for 2015 - 2016

Peter Jackson, Chair provided a summary of the year:

- Our member ship is 125
- We have had 21 open days and group visits throughout the year
- 35 volunteer work days with over 2000 volunteer hours worth £20k
- A successful NAMHO conference in May 2015
- North explosives store rebuild
- Significant catch up with maintenance on the site and clearance of rubbish
- Excellent progress on archiving work led by Sheila Barker
- We are a member of the North Pennines AONB partnership

- Work with the Tees Wear Metal Mine project and the Environment Agency on the mine water treatment proposals

For the future:

- Continue building relationships with other organisations e.g. Nenthead Chapel project, Roof of England tourism, Alston Moor Community Energy
- Work on a Section 17 agreement – part of the Ancient Monuments Act which allows is to agree with English Heritage what types of work we can progress on the site without scheduled monument consent
- Build up the number and the skills of our members who volunteer on site

6. Proposal for the meeting

‘This Society should be dissolved and the assets transferred to the Nenthead Mines Conservation Society Charitable Incorporated Organisation, Charity number 1166281.’

Proposed by Frank Lowes, seconded by Rosemary Vidler. Unanimously agreed.

7. Appointment of Management Committee

The Charity was registered on 30th March 2016 with the following trustees:

Peter Jackson, Sheila Barker, Raymond Hall, Nick Green.

In accordance with para 13.4 of the governing document Martyn Langley and Colin Wilkinson were appointed as additional charity trustees.

8 Any other business notified to the Chair

A vote of thanks was given to Peter Jackson for his work as Chair of the society.