

## CAMBRIDGESHIRE BIRD CLUB

### **Minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting held at 7.55 pm on Friday 11 March 2016 at St. John's Church Hall, Hills Road, Cambridge**

The President, Robin Cox, was in the Chair. 42 members attended.

1. **Apologies for absence** were received from Peter Bircham, Peter Herkenrath, Chris Quy, Ali Cooper, Chris Percival, Christina Leadley and Rob Pople.
2. **The Minutes of the 2015 AGM** were approved and signed.
3. There were no **Matters Arising**.
4. The Chairman, Vince Lea, presented the **Annual Report of Council** in which he reviewed the past year's activities and thanked the Officers and Council of the Club, together with Committee members; the Bulletin and Annual Report contributors and writers; and other volunteers and helpers for their commitment of time, energy and skills to the Club during the last year. The full text of Vince's report will be made available on the Club's website.
5. The Treasurer, Roger Swain, presented the **Financial Statements**. The Club's finances were in a healthy position. On the new receipts and payments (cash) basis, the year had ended with a surplus of £3270 – sufficient to fund the 2014 Annual Report (which was actually paid for in early 2016). Total assets were £12,564 and the Special Projects Fund, untouched during 2015, remained at £2550. Roger reminded the meeting that as many as 60 subscriptions remained outstanding, and that many members continued to pay their subscriptions at the old rate.

Adoption of the Statements was proposed by Stuart Lingard, seconded by Louise Bacon and agreed *nem.con*

6. **President and Vice-Presidents**. Council's nominations below were proposed by Vicki Harley, seconded by Louise Bacon and elected *nem.con*.

*President:* Robin Cox.

*Vice-Presidents:* James Cadbury, John Clark, Graham Easy, Colin Kirtland, Rita Lingard, Bruce Martin

7. **Election of Council.** Council's nominations below were proposed by Kevin Harris, seconded by Dick Newell and elected *nem. con.*

*Officers:* Chairman: Vince Lea; Secretary: Michael Holdsworth; Treasurer: Roger Swain; County Recorder: Louise Bacon; Annual Report Editor: Vince Lea; Bulletin Editors: Peter Bircham and Chris Brown; Meetings Secretary: Vicki Harley; Website Officer: Chris Quy; Membership Secretary: Clive Sinclair; Research Officer : Rob Pople; other Council Members: Ali Cooper, Mike Foley.

8. Kevin Harris was re-appointed as **Auditor.** Proposed by Stuart Lingard, seconded by Clive Sinclair and carried *nem.con.*

9. The **Bob Scott Prize for Ornithological Research in Cambridgeshire** was not awarded this year as there were no entries.

10. The **Bird Photograph of the Year** was awarded to Garth Peacock for his photograph of Spotted Flycatchers.

11. **Any other business**

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned at 8.20 pm.