



**Minutes of the 32nd Annual General Meeting
of The Friends of Charnwood Forest
held on 19 March 2018 at 7.30 pm
at Woodhouse Eaves Village Hall**

Present: Mrs Janie Martin, President

Paul Day - Chairman; Kim Turner - Treasurer; Pat Bell – Secretary; Dick Howard – Programme Organiser; Linda Thompson – Membership Secretary
Pauline Day; Toby Manning; Marilyn Palmer – committee members
Douglas Maas – Newsletter Editor (ex officio)
Members and guests of The Friends of Charnwood Forest (about 50 members present)

Mrs Janie Martin, presiding, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies included: Christine Anderson; Diana Barker; Lesley Cooke; Jim Graham; Tony Marmont; Col. Robert Martin; Keith Turner; David & Claire Walker

1 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2017 were approved as a true record.

2 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3 Chairman's Report

Paul Day, Chairman, welcomed everyone to the meeting delivered his report; commenting that it had again been a most successful year, with an average attendance of 60 members. He thanked Dick Howard for arranging such a varied and interesting programme. FoCF was financially solvent; thanks were due to Kim for overseeing the finances, Linda for keeping the membership records and to Pat as secretary. Subscriptions had covered the hiring of the hall, speakers' fees and paid for two information boards, which were strategically situated at Charnwood Lodge and in Woodhouse Eaves. A contribution had also been made to the stag's head carving on the road out of Newtown Linford – Dick had worked hard to enable this. Thanks were also extended to Toby in respect of the informative website and to Doug for all his work in the regular production of the newsletter.

Linda was now stepping down from the committee and Dick was resigning his role as programme organiser. Paul emphasised that more people were needed to help if the organisation was to continue.

4 Treasurer's Report

Kim Turner briefly presented the accounts, copies of which had been circulated. She commented that events had been well supported and the FoCF was a very impressive society within the local area and she would like to see it continue. There had been approximately 55 guests across the meetings, thanks to the publicity received. The accounts were approved and the Treasurer thanked for her work.

5 Election of Officers and Committee

Paul, Kim and Pat were prepared to continue their roles, as were Pauline, Toby, Marilyn, and Doug. A membership secretary and events co-ordinator were required.

6 Any Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7.45 pm