Sussex Sunday Walkers

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**MINUTES** of the 96th Annual General Meeting, held at Harrington House, Bourton-on-the-Water on Friday 13th May 2022 at 18.00 hours.

1. **Presidents Opening Remarks.**

In Roy Marchant’s opening message, he extended a warm welcome to the meeting and thanked the Chairman and the Committee for all their hard work during the past year. The last two years have been particularly challenging with COVID; however, we are looking forward to our Centenary in four years, 2026. The committee would welcome members views on how we should mark this occasion.

1. **Apologies for absence**

John Farrar

Juliet Molloy

1. **Proxy Voters**

John Farrar gave his vote to the Chair.

Juliet Molloy asked Carol Fryer to use her proxy to support the proposal to amend resolution

(Rule 12)

**4. Minutes of the 95th Annual General Meeting**

Adoption of the minutes was proposed by Jeremy Bacon, seconded by Nicola Avis and carried.

**5. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

None.

**6. Officers Reports for 2021-2022**

Chairman’s and Events Secretary’s Reports - No matters raised.

Treasurer’s Report and Accounts – No matters raised.

East Sussex Footpath Secretary’s Report – No matters raised.

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Walks Programme and Communications Secretary’s Reports – No matters raised.

**7.** **Adoption of Officers Reports**

Proposed by Richard Vinnicombe, seconded Chris Hart and carried.

**8. Elections of all Officers for 2022-2023 en bloc**

Proposed Christobel Avery, seconded Judith Taylor and carried.

**9. Proposal to amend resolution (Rule 12. Dogs must not be brought on walks).**

Proposed by Patrick Haworth, seconded David Green.

**10. Vote on proposed resolution as above.**

Motion carried (19 for, 4 against) a number of members abstained.

**11. Walking Stick Competition – Results and Presentation.**

Because of the unusual circumstances around Covid-19 restrictions the walking stick competition

ran for two years, ending on the 31st December 2021. Presented by The Chairman, Roy Marchant.

The ladies stick went to Gaynor Waterman, runner up Carol Fryer. The men’s stick went to Martin Greenwood, runner up David Green.

**Any Other Business.**

Janet Goody, Events Secretary. HF are a month behind their usual schedule so will not know until the end of this month whether we will be booking our walking holiday in Brecon or Freshwater I.O.W. for 2023. It is unlikely that we would achieve sole occupancy in Freshwater as capacity of the House is 72.

Janet also mentioned that she is taking bookings for the Bowls evening on the 1st July.

**Meeting Closed at 18.23 hours.**