ICAEW BIRMINGHAM AND WEST MIDLANDS Annual General Meeting – Monday, 17 May 2021

Minutes of the 139th Annual General Meeting held virtually on Monday, 17 May 2021.

Present: Andrew Coulson (Chair)

Celia Adams, Clive Bawden, John Bezzant, Will Buggey, Amy Burton, Linda Conway, Sophie Dale-Black, Jo Drinkwater, Craig Edmondson, Tracey James, Khuram Javed, Chris Key, Jas Khela, Harriet Lawson, Steph Mersh, Ben Powell, Louise Rudd and Shashi Sharma.

Observer: Jim Graham

Proxy forms received from: Leanne England, Jon Gilpin, Phil Redgate and Gemma Jones.

WELCOME

Andrew welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. NOTICE

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

2. APOLOGIES

Leanne England, Katie Giles, Jon Gilpin, Gemma Jones and Phil Redgate.

3. MINUTES

Andrew announced that the minutes of the 138th Annual General Meeting held on Monday, 11 May 2020 had been posted on the website and issued to the committee.

Khuram proposed and Celia seconded that the minutes were a true record of the last Annual General Meeting. An unanimous show of hands declared the minutes approved.

4. ANNUAL REPORTS

Andrew announced that the President's report for 2020-21 had been published on the website and circulated to the committee. He outlined the report, thanking the regional team for enabling the conversion of the face-to-face events to virtual.

Tracey proposed and Celia seconded the acceptance of the report. An unanimous show of hands declared the report accepted.

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Andrew announced that the Financial Statements of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2020 had been published on the website and circulated to the committee.

Tracey reported that due to all activities moving to virtual no expenses had been incurred. Income had been received for Mercia royalties, Essentials royalties and ICAEW grants.

Andrew proposed the resolution that the Financial Statements be received and adopted. Celia seconded the resolution. An unanimous show of hands declared the resolution passed.

6. ELECTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

Andrew announced that in accordance with amended Rule 7 six members of the committee retired at the Annual General Meeting. These were:

• Celia Adams • Will Buggey • Katie Giles • Jon Gilpin • Jas Khela • Louise Rudd

Will does not wish to be re-elected, but would remain on the committee as an observer.

There were 14 vacancies available on the committee and nominations for 5 of these vacancies had been received from: Celia Adams, Katie Giles, Jas Khela, Louise Rudd and Harriet Lawson.

A nomination form for re-election was not received from Jon Gilpin, but Jon could remain on the committee as a co-opted member.

Andrew proposed that these members be elected/re-elected on to the committee, and Tracey seconded the election. An unanimous show of hands declared the elections approved.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a) To appoint the Independent Examiners

Andrew proposed that a vote of thanks be passed to the Society's Independent Examiner J W Hinks, Tracey seconded the proposal. An unanimous show of hands approved the proposal.

Andrew reported that J W Hinks had agreed to be elected as Independent Examiners of the Society for the forthcoming year.

Andrew thanked the members of the committee for their time and commitment to the Society, and the noncommittee members for joining the meeting. He then declared the meeting closed at 5.20pm