

**Minutes of the 2020 annual general meeting held on Wednesday 6 May 2020 at 6.15pm through the facility of video conferencing.**

**Members Present:**

David Ainsworth, Jude Bailey, Richard Baylis, Jonathan Dancey, Harri Lloyd Davies, Jared Davies, Christopher Drew, Jonathan Eddy, Mark Etchells, Rhiannon Evans, Andrew Morgan, Lakshmi Narain, John Price, Rodney Reames, Tim Robinson, Nick Rowe, Anne Smith (Chair), Nick Toye, Olivia Tsim, Andrew Williams, Kara Williams, Mark White.

In attendance: Emma Friedl, Martin Warren

**1. Chair's opening remarks**

Anne Smith, ICAEW South Wales President, opened the meeting with the Annual Report of the Committee.

**2. Apologies for absence.**

Suzanne Lloyd, Rupert May-Hill, Bhavik Patel, Bethan Pearce, Sarah Prescott.

**3. To confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 16 May 2019.**

The 2019 AGM minutes were accepted as an accurate record of proceedings by those members present through video conferencing.

**4. To receive and adopt the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 in accordance with Society Rule 16(b)**

The 2019 accounts were adopted by those members present through video conferencing.

**5. To retire and reappoint the Honorary Independent Examiner in accordance with Society Rule 11(b) and 16(c):**

Carstons Chartered Accountants (Cardiff)

Mr Andrew Morgan, Honorary Treasurer of the ICAEW South Wales Society, proposed that the title "Honorary" should be removed going forward as the Society has recently agreed to a small fee (£250+VAT) for the annual accounts examination.

This proposal was accepted by those members present through video conferencing and the Independent Examiner, Carstons Chartered Accountants (Cardiff), was reappointed for 2020/2021.

**6. To approve the formal closure of the following dormant branches of the Society:**

- Cardiff & District Branch of Chartered Accountants
- Gwent & Powys Branch of Chartered Accountants
- Swansea and West Wales Branch of Chartered Accountants

In each case, any surplus funds on the respective branch bank accounts would be transferred to the District Society account and earmarked for future use in support of the relevant former branch areas, for purposes deemed appropriate by the members of the District Society Committee.

This proposal was approved by those members present through video conferencing.

**7. To receive propositions and notices of motion in accordance with Society Rule 17.**

None received.

8. **To inform the Society of the appointment by the Committee of the President, Deputy President and Vice President for 2020/2021 in accordance with Society Rule 8(a):**

Nicholas Rowe as **President**  
Jared Davies as **Deputy President**  
Mark Etchells as **Vice President**

Appointments and timelines were fully explained in the Annual Report of the Committee and approved by those members present through video conferencing.

9. **To transact any other business which may be transacted at an Annual General Meeting in accordance with Society Rule 16(e).**

No other business matters raised.

The annual general meeting concluded at 6.45pm.