

**MINUTES OF THE 45th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
THE KENNETH ALLSOP MEMORIAL TRUST LIMITED
(Registered Charity No. 270059)**

Held at The Lauriston Hotel, 6-12 Knightstone Road, Weston-Super-Mare, BS23 2AN
on Saturday 24th September 2022 at 2.00 pm

Present

1.Tristan Allsop; 2. Rob Gillet; 3.Maureen Gillet; 4.Anthony Smith; 5.Chris Maslen; 6.Jenny Smith;
7.Syd Brailey; 8.Graham Briscoe; 9.Stephen Parker; 10.Ed Catchpole; 11.Peter Hammond; 12.John
Watts; 13.Joy Wilson; 14.Mark Harris; 15.Anthea Raines; 16.Pam Wallace; 17.Evia Soussi; 18.Marilyn
Markall; 19.John Jiggins; 20.Glyn Wellington.

By Proxy Votes

Roger Conway; Anna Bentley; Paul Marshall; Ray Canham.

1. Chairman's Welcome

Stephen Parker welcomed the members to the meeting and reported on works over the last year set out below.

2. Apologies for absence were received from 12 members

1.Pat Leighton; 2.Jane Cunningham; 3.Greg Avis; 4.Patrick Smuts; 5.Susan Smuts; 7.Helen Lewis;
8.Martin Parsons; 9.David Reid; 10.Sarah Norton; 11.Vinah Bell; 12.Andrew Wilson.

3. Minutes of 44th AGM and any matters arising

The minutes of the 44th Annual General Meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record of that meeting. There were no matters arising from the last meeting other than any included in the Agenda for today's meeting.

4. Annual Accounts

The Annual Accounts for the year ended 5 April 2022 were presented by the Interim Treasurer (Graham Briscoe) and adoption was approved unanimously by the meeting.

5. Appointment of Independent Examiners

The appointment of Mendip Accounting Solutions was approved unanimously by the meeting and the directors were authorised to set their level of fees.

6. Appointment of Directors and Trustees

Nominations were received for the appointment of Anthony Smith and Glyn Wellington as Directors and Trustees of the Charity for a term of three years. The appointments were approved unanimously by the meeting.

7. Presentation of Reports

The Clerk of Works (Mark Harris) and the Warden (Chris Maslen) each gave a summary of the work over the last year.

8. Any Other Business

There was no other business to report.

All volunteers were thanked for their help over the year.

9. Date of 2023 AGM

The expected date will be Saturday 23rd September 2023. The formal meeting closed at 2.30 pm.

Chairman's Report

2021/22 was a difficult year and a very sad one. Especially with the death of Carol Hughes our long-term treasurer and island archaeologist. Carol has been greatly missed by all the Trustees and volunteers that work on Steep Holm. She made a major contribution to the work of protecting and understanding the island.

During the year Jonathan Hartnell and Timothy Illston both members of the board of Trustees had to stand down for personal reasons.

In July 2021 we were able to welcome visitors back to the island after the Covid-19 lockdown. Despite the short season, visitor numbers were good and many enjoyed the ability to travel once again to the wild island that many love.

In January 2022 we held a planning event with our volunteers, this started the process of updating the island's management plan. The new plan has been adopted by the board.

With funding from Somerset Archaeological and Natural History Society we were able to fund naturalists to visit the island to gather biological data on the island wildlife. This is a two-year project and it is hoped that once the information is hopped we can publish an up-to-date account of Steep Holm's wildlife.

Since the last AGM the board has met regularly face to face, moving away from Zoom meetings. A wide range of key objectives have been discussed by the board. These covered; Health and Safety, volunteer recruitment, legal issues, fund raising and of course island maintenance. Where resources allowed, we have made good progress with all these issues.

As you are all well aware all the work carried out by KAMT volunteers. I would like to say a very big thank you to everyone that has helped.

The above Minutes were approved by the Members at the Annual General Meeting held on 23rd September 2023.

Signed: (Chairman)

Dated: