

# 51<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### MINUTES

#### Apologies

Steve Hall  
Lee and Tony Jex and East Coast Elite  
Claire Stacey and Burgess Hill YMB  
Wally Hemingway  
Paul and Christine Cartwright  
Oliver Richardson  
Concord Allstars  
Ann Matthews  
The NTC Bands  
Thurmaston MB  
Lanesfield

#### Attendees

John Harrop - Fellowship  
Clive Burd individual member – carrying Concord's proxy  
Andrew Dallison - Beeches – carrying Lanesfield's proxy  
Luke Bodycott - Syston – carrying Burgess Hill YB's proxy  
Carl Harris – Phantom Knights  
Neil Wright – Chair  
Luke Taylor – Communications  
Emma Arnett - Revolution Show Corps  
Dale Willis - Liberty  
Rob Andrews Fellowship and Ibstock.  
Paul Morgan Vice-chair and Fellowship  
Andrew Horton - Association Secretary  
Gary Roylance - Judging  
Jane Jones -Stafford Brigades  
Peter Marshall – Fellowship  
Richard Haw - Individual member  
Elaine and Terry Thurtle - Fellowship

Present: Andy Hewlett, Lauren Kent–Walton

22 votes

#### Notice of meeting

AGM notice went out on 9 December 2023.

#### Chair's address

Neil outlined the highs and lows of his time as Chair and the challenges that the activity faced.

Neil expressed his thanks to Council and those members of Council past and present who had provided him with lots of help and assistance over the last six years and wished Paul Morgan every success as the incoming Chair.

### **Approval of the minutes of the last AGM**

Proposed by John Harrop and seconded by Andrew Dallison and accepted by the meeting.

### **To receive the Annual Report, previously circulated.**

The annual report including the Association's accounts, was accepted by the meeting.

### **Constitutional Proposals**

1. To replace the regions – after discussion as to how this would take effect, the proposal was passed.
2. To create a Head of Technology role on council – this proposal was passed and Luke Taylor subsequently co-opted into the role.
3. To change the quorum required at AGM to be 60% of the membership – after clarification of the status of Fellows, and how the 60% would be calculated, this was approved
4. To reduce the number of council roles – this was approved, as amended. The amendment being to retain the role of Chair of Education

### **Elections and other appointments**

Paul Morgan was elected as Associate Chair, taking over from Neil Wright.

Roger Ash was confirmed as the chair of the Dalton Wright Bursary Fund for a further year.

Gary Roylance was re-elected as Chair of Judging.

### **Chair's closing remarks**

Neil invited Paul to say a few words to conclude the meeting and Paul welcomed Neil into the Fellowship. Neil was presented with an engraved conductor's baton, as a token of appreciation for the work Neil had done as Chair over the preceding 6 years.

### **Date of the 52nd AGM**

It was agreed that a date would be fixed for the end of January and details circulated in due course.