

52nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Saturday 22nd February 2025

MINUTES

Apologies

Beeches Performance Ensemble
East Coast Elite
Lanesfield
Stone Scout and Guide Band
Concord Allstars
Paul and Christine Cartwright
Gary Roylance
Liberty
Stu Warmington
Syston Scout and Guide Band

Present

Paul Morgan – Association Chair
Andrew Horton – Association Secretary
John Harrop – Fellow
Peter Marshall – Fellow
Richard Haw – Communications
Luke Taylor – Member and Lanesfield's proxy
Emma Arnett – Events
Carl Harris – Phantom Knights and Syston's Proxy.
Nathan Pointon – Stafford Brigades and Stone's proxy
Jane Jones – Stafford Brigades
Rob Andrews – Ibstock Scouts and Fellow

In attendance

Ollie Birch – Phantom Knights

1. Notice of the meeting had been members and via the website on 17 December 2025
2. Given the number present and the limited business for discussion there was no need to appoint tellers.
3. The chair provided details of his recent illness and apologised for his lack of visibility over the last few months and outlined his ideas and goals for the coming 12 months, which were to include a festival type event which would hopefully appeal to more units, alongside the usual competitive season.
4. The minutes of the 51st AGM held on Saturday 27 January 2025 were approved, as proposed by John Harrop and seconded by Luke Taylor.
5. The 2024 Annual report and accounts, having been previously circulated, were received and approved by the meeting.
6. The only constitutional proposal – to allow the AGM to be held remotely or by hybrid methods, as the discretion of council, was approved unanimously.
7. Roger Ash was confirmed as the chair of the DWBF fund with Elaine Thurtle and Peter Marshall as the other trustees.

8. Richard Haw was welcomed in the Fellowship by the Chair
9. The date of the 53rd AGM was to be the last Saturday in January 2026, with the date to be confirmed.
10. There was no other competent business.