



## The Central Association of Bee-Keepers

**Minutes** of the 74<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Central Association of Bee-Keepers, held at Roots and Shoots, Walnut Tree Walk, Lambeth, SE11 6DN on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019 during the Spring Meeting.

Professor Robert Pickard, President, took the chair.

Present were approximately 30 members.

The meeting opened at 12:10

### **1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Ann Blackburn, Clive de Bruyn, Julie Cooper, Marion and Geoff Cooper, John Hendrie, Pam Hunter, Douglas Nethercleft, Celia Perry, Sean Stephenson.

### **2. Minutes from the 2018 Annual General Meeting**

No comments were made and the minutes of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018 were approved and signed as a true record.

### **3. Trustees Report and Approval of the 2018 Accounts**

The secretary's report was circulated and approved.

No publication were produced this year.

We held three events – making a surplus on the Social Evening, break-even on the Autumn conference and a loss on the Spring meeting as there is no fee and donations were insufficient to cover expenses. The Association has adequate reserves, so we don't need to worry about a small loss on an event as it is our function to support membership and provide quality speakers.

The treasurer's report and accounts were approved *nem com*

### **4. Proposed Rule Change**

The Committee would like to change the wording of rule 8 which currently states that the Chairman should stand for not more than 2 years, we would like to change the wording from 2 years to 5 years. – unanimously approved.

### **5. Election of officers**

President: Robert Pickard was re-elected *nem com*

Secretary: Sue Carter was re-elected *nem com*

Treasurer: Harold Cloutt was re-elected *nem com*

## **6. Election of Committee Members**

John Chapple, Bill Fisher, Andrew Gibb, John Gowar, Fiona Matheson, Roger Patterson, Andy Pedley, Robert Smith (Chairman), Simon Wilkes – all were re-elected *nem com*

The committee requested that anyone with communications and/or advertising skills who could help promote the Association to please contact any committee member.

## **7. Chairmans Comments**

We have had a good year with an increase in membership. We haven't produced any booklets in 2018, but we anticipate two to be available in the first half of 2019, funded by membership subscriptions. We aim to make future events self-funding.

## **8. AOB**

None

## **9. Date of the Next AGM**

The 75<sup>th</sup> AGM will be held on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, venue TBA

Professor Robert Pickard thanked everyone for attending the AGM and for the Officers and Committee members for their contributions.

Meeting closed at 12:26