

# Minutes of 17<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Friends of Anderton and Marbury (FoAM) on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Attendees: 39 persons attended

## 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Clive Brookes.

## 2. Minutes of the Last meeting

These are posted on FOAM website at <http://foam.merseyforest.org.uk> and were accepted by the meeting.

## 3. Matters Arising

None

## 4. Chair's Report

Alan Redley gave the Chair's Report and said a video had been produced to show what events have happened over the year. This was played at the meeting instead of a verbal report. Members present welcomed the change of format. Thanks were given to Graham Walker for the video production.

The Chair formally thanked Chris Moseley and David James for all their help and support and also thanked all volunteers.

The background to the arrival of the new cabins was explained and the very positive working relationship with Maria Byrne, Head of Place Operations, and Sue Fernandez, Environment Client Manager, was highlighted.

## 5. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts

David Bullock presented the Treasurer's Report and highlighted the following:

Finances are sound and funds are available for future projects.

There have been 12 new life members

The Spring Plant Sale raised £300

Christmas Decorations raised £400

Sale of logs and charcoal has brought in £700

There has been significant investment in the wood workshops from CWAC

Expenditure has covered items such as bird food, mouse proof storage bins, and wild flower seed and hiring a wood miser

Thanks go to Steve Penwell for auditing the accounts

## **6. Report from Membership Secretary**

Jim Jeeves presented the Membership Secretary's Report. Jim highlighted the following:

Life Members are 33  
Individual Members are 94  
Household Membership is 58  
Complimentary memberships are 8  
Total Membership is 251, an increase from last year.

## **7. Election of Officers and Committee for 2016/17**

Treasurer: Dave Bullock has agreed to continue.  
Secretary: Lorraine Brannan resigned and Anna Cooper agreed to continue  
The Committee was re-elected for 2016/17

### Officers

Alan Redley	Chair & Projects and Grants
David Bullock	Treasurer
Anna Cooper	Secretary

### Additional Committee Members

Clive Brookes	
John Ellaby	
Frances Findlay	
Elna Harrison	
Jacqui Hutton	
Jim Jeeves	Membership Secretary
Mary Jeeves	Publicity
Joanne Redley	Newsletter
Graham Walker	
Brenda Yates	
Ranger	Cheshire West and Chester
Clare Olver	The Mersey Forest

## **8. AOB**

None

**The meeting closed at 8.05pm**