

DRAFT AGM 2019 Minutes

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2019 Annual General Meeting of British Friendly Society Limited

Location – Bromham Road, Bedford + virtual attendees

Monday 14th September 2020 at 11 am

The Chair, Stuart Purdy, introduced himself and welcomed all attending (in person and virtually) to the Society's 118th Annual General Meeting (AGM). The AGM was being held within the Covid-19 guidelines on social distancing.

A warm welcome was extended to Luke Hertley and Lewis Donald as members.

Board members present were:

1. Stuart Purdy, Chairman, present in the room
2. Chris Radford, Non-Executive Director (via Go To meeting)
3. Audrey McNair, Non-Executive Director (via Go To meeting)
4. Robin Willison, Senior Independent Director (via Go To meeting)
5. Gordon Hull, CEO, present in the room
6. Simon Owens, CFO, (awaiting regulatory approval), present in the room.

The Chairman also introduced staff members present at the AGM:

1. Julie Greenwood, Distribution Director, present in the room
2. Jill Chipchase, Company Secretary, (via Go To meeting).

Apologies from Ian Bullock had been received.

The Chairman confirmed that everyone present had a 2020 Agenda and a copy of the Minutes from the 2019 AGM.

The 2019 Minutes were proposed by Lewis Donald and approved by Luke Hertley and signed by the Chairman. The minutes were also confirmed as a correct record by the past-chairman, Chris Radford.

The Chairman asked for the consent of members present to take the AGM Notice and Agenda as read. Consent was given.

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The Chairman confirmed that voting cards had been issued to those members present.

The Chairman explained the rules for voting and confirmed that 472 postal votes had been received by the due date and a further 725 votes had been received online. The meeting had an additional 2 voting members present at the meeting.

The AGM would only address the formal business so there would be no Chairman's review or CEO update.

The voting results were announced and were as follows:

1. To receive and if approved, adopt the Board Report and Financial Statements for year ended 31 December 2019

This item was carried with the voting being (1182): 2 voted in favour in the room; 514 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 3 online and proxy votes against; 14 on line proxy voters withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 666.

2. To re-appoint auditors – BDO

This item was carried with the voting being (1165): 2 voted in favour in the room; 491 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 15 online and postal proxy votes against; 19 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 672.

3. Samantha Blackie

This item was carried with the voting being (1167): 2 voted in favour in the room; 477 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 20 on line and postal proxy votes against; 12 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 688.

4. Ian Bullock

This item was carried with the voting being (1160): 2 voted in favour in the room; 457 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 20 online and postal proxy votes against; 19 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 701.

5. Nicole Coll

This item was carried with the voting being (1166): 2 voted in favour in the room; 466 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 21 online and postal proxy votes against; 22 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 698.

6. Gordon Hull

This item was carried with the voting being (1163): 2 voted in favour in the room; 470 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 21 online and postal proxy votes against; 15 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 691.

7. Audrey McNair

This item was carried with the voting being (1153): 2 voted in favour in the room; 457 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 13 online and postal proxy votes against; 15 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 694.

8. Stuart Purdy

The Chairman declared an interest in this motion and requested Robin Willison, Senior Independent Director, confirm the Chairman's discretionary votes. This item was carried with the voting being (1171): 2 voted in favour in the room; 486 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 16 online and postal proxy votes against; 12 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes exercised via the Senior Independent Director were 683.

9. Christopher Radford

This item was carried with the voting being (1157): 2 voted in favour in the room; 457 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 26 online and postal proxy votes against; 16 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 698.

10. Robin Willison

This item was carried with the voting being (1167): 2 voted in favour in the room; 469 online and postal proxy votes in favour; 19 online and postal proxy votes

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against; 13 online and postal proxy votes withheld. The Chairman's discretionary votes were 696.

The Chairman declared the formal business of the meeting complete.

Any Other Business

No other business was raised.

The Chairman thanked all members for attending and looked forward to welcoming all to a more participative, informative and usual AGM in 2020.

The 2020 AGM closed at 11.12pm

Members in Attendance
Mr Luke Hertley
Mr Lewis Donald

Signed _____ Date _____