

Orkney Archaeology Society
Annual General Meeting – via Zoom
18th May 2023

Present

45 people in attendance

Apologies

6 Apologies have been received. These were noted.

Announcements

No announcements

Minutes of last AGM

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 May 2022 were reviewed and agreed with no amendments.

Update from the Chair

Since our last AGM we have had a number of public talks via Zoom, and these have been exceptionally well attended, with attendees from all over the World. We also held a very successful Viking Festival and our annual Brochtoberfest.

Also in 2022 we were able to fully re-open open our shop at the Ness again. Overall there was a good increase in visitors and, as always the profits from the shop provide very welcome income for the Ness of Brodgar Trust and also for OAS, and to local projects via our Grants Cttee.

David concluded by thanking the Board, the members and all volunteers for their hard work and their continued support for archaeology in Orkney.

Update from the Secretary

Hayley presented the written report which will be sent to OSCR, as the Trustees Annual Report. Changes in the Board over the last 12 months were noted.

Treasurer's report and Adoption of the Accounts

The accounts were available in the meeting and agreed without comment. Noted that all expenditure has been as OAS SCIO, not OAS.

Review of membership and subscriptions

The Membership report was presented by Anna Gudge, and agreed by the AGM.

Election of Trustees to the Board of the Society

The current Board members stood down as per the constitution.

The following were then agreed as Board Trustees; Hayley Green, George Vickers, Anna Gudge, Mark Newton, David Drever, Colin Richards, Kath Page, Julie Cassidy, Moira Parker, Ragnhild Ljosland, Kaila Shepherd, Collen Batey, Kevin Kerr. This leaves 2 vacancies. If there is anyone who is interested in joining the Board please contact the Secretary.

Resolutions

None notified

Any Other AGM Business

It was agreed that David Campbell (VAO) should continue as Independent Examiner of the accounts.

Meeting closed at 19.45,

The AGM was then followed by a talk from OAS Board Member Kath Page. Kath gave a very informative and interesting talk on “Shooting the Neolithic: The archaeology and digital heritage of the Orcadian Neolithic”,

The evening finished with thanks to Kath for her excellent talk and thanks to everyone who had attended this virtual AGM, and made it such a good evening.
