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much needed support, please contact (in confidence) Richard Cooksley on:

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# Bristol Corn Trade Guild 2022 AGM

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Members of the Bristol Corn Trade Guild will be held on:-

**Tuesday 17th May 2022**

**The meeting will follow the BCFTA  
AGM at approximately 11.45am  
at**

**THE ASHTON GATE STADIUM,  
ASHTON ROAD, BRISTOL,  
BS3 2EJ.**

**President:** Neil Chapman **Vice-President:** Dan Hughes **Immediate Past President :** Andrew Davies  
**Honorary Treasurer & Honorary Secretary:** Richard Cooksley **Beneficiaries' Visitor:** Barry Coombes

### Retire 2022

S Allanson-Bailey  
C Delf  
I Eastwood  
P Roberts

### Retire 2023

N Chapman  
G B Coombes  
M Cox  
J Townend  
D Stanford  
S L Fear

### Retire 2024

A Davies  
B J P Nutter  
S Prior  
G C Seymour  
M A Spencer  
D Hughes

### Independent Examiners

Bishop Fleming  
10 Temple Back  
Bristol  
BS1 6FL

### Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd  
25 Kings Hill Ave  
Kings Hill  
West Malling  
Kent  
ME 19 4JQ

### Stockbrokers

Brewin Dolphin  
The Paragon  
Counterslip  
Bristol  
BS1 6BX





## 10. Sporting Events:

The chairman of the meeting thanked Mike Spencer for organising the Guild Golf and Mike confirmed he was planning to hold a competition in September/October in conjunction with the ship's agents.

## 11. Election of The President for 2021/2022:

The meeting chairman confirmed that Neil Chapman who had been Vice and acting President was willing to stand.

It was proposed by Simon Allinson Bailey seconded by Philip Baker that Neil Chapman should be elected President and unanimously approved by all those present.

## 12. Election of Vice-President for 2021/2022:

The meeting chairman confirmed it has become tradition that the President of The Association becomes Vice President of the Guild and it is proposed that Dan Hughes is elected as Vice President.

Proposed by Simon Allinson Bailey, Seconded by Philip Baker and approved by the meeting.

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**Thursday 12th May 2022**

**GUILD SPRING LUNCH 2022**

Come along, meet friends (old and new) and learn about the Bristol Corn Trade Guild Activities over a three-course lunch at the Shirehampton Golf Club.

Copies of the menu can be obtained by contacting  
Bristol Corn & Feed Trade Association, The Farm Office,  
Redend Farm, Station Road, Pilning, Bristol BS35 4JW  
Phone: 01275 373539 Email: [enquiries@bcfta.com](mailto:enquiries@bcfta.com)

need to the secretary.

Regrettably due to the state of the stock market at our year end a revaluation of the guild's investments took place which has reduced the reserves by £11,226. Mind you the market has recovered since then and the losses have been recovered.

He thanked the Guild Committee and particularly Mike Spencer who organises the Golf and Barrie Coombes who is the valuable link with the beneficiaries.

#### **6. Election of Executive Committee:**

The Chairman of the meeting confirmed that:

Andrew Davies, Steve Fear, Bryan Nutter, Simon Prior, George Seymour and Mike Spencer are resigning in rotation and all but Steve Fear offer themselves for re-election.

On the proposal made by Paul Roberts seconded by Dave Stanford, Andrew Davies, Bryan Nutter, Simon Prior, George Seymour and Mike Spencer were elected unanimously en bloc to the Executive Committee.

#### **7. Election of Honorary Treasurer:**

Richard Cooksley was proposed as Honorary Treasurer by John Wright and seconded by Dave Stanford which was unanimously approved by all present.

#### **8. Election of Honorary Secretary:**

Richard Cooksley was proposed as Secretary by Simon Allison Baily and seconded by Dave Stanford which was unanimously approved by all present.

#### **9. Re-Appointment of Independent Examiners:**

The meeting chairman confirmed that the guild has traditionally had its accounts reviewed and formatted in association with the Association's accounts using the same firm of accountants.

The Association are currently reviewing which organisation should review their accounts.

It was proposed by Dave Stanford, Seconded by Philip Baker that the trustees should be given approval to appoint the Independent Examiners which was approved by the meeting.

## **BRISTOL CORN TRADE GUILD**

Providing Support for those in need within the Grain & Feed

### **Tuesday 17th May 2021**

#### **AGENDA**

- 1: To Read the Notice Convening the Meeting
- 2: Obituaries
- 3: Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held on the 27th July 2021
- 4: To Receive The one Hundred and Twenty Second Report & Accounts  
*(A copy of the report and accounts is provided within an additional document)*
- 5: Presidents Report
- 6: Election of the Trustees and Executive Committee
  - President for 2022/2023
  - Vice President 2022/2023
  - Honorary Secretary and Treasurer
- 7: Appointment of the Accounts Independent Examiners
- 8: Sporting Events
- 9: Any Other Business Pertinent to an AGM

**Bristol Corn Trade Guild**  
**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**  
**Held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2021**  
**By the 'Zoom' video platform at 11.30hrs**

• **Present:**

Chairman of the Meeting, Andrew Davies Immediate Past Guild President, Honorary Secretary Richard Cooksley and 15 Attendees

The Secretary confirmed that the meeting was being recorded so as to help with writing the minutes and the recording would be deleted within 7 days of the meeting.

The meeting chairman Andrew Davies opened the meeting by paying a tribute to Des Gilbert a friend of so many of us in the trade a long standing supporter of the Association & the Guild who sadly passed away on the 9th November 2020. At the time of his death he was President of the Guild.

All members took a few moments silence to remember Des who is sadly missed.

• **Apologies:**

The secretary confirmed that he had received apologies from 27 members.

**1. Convening Notice:**

The meeting Chairman confirmed that the Notice convening the Meeting had been sent to all members informing them that the Annual General Meeting of the Bristol Corn Trade Guild would take place at 12.00 noon.

**2. Obituaries:**

The meeting chairman asked members to stand in memory of the Guild members who the Secretary had been notified as having passed away since the last AGM.

**2019:** Cliff Beames, Andrew Gulland, Derek Neate, Grace Wright, Peter Smith, Cedric Platt, Ed Neal, Mavis Oliver.

**2020:** Pete Fumpson, Des Gilbert, Anna Easterbrook, Ralph Goodyer, Phyllis Garwood,

**2021:** Geoff Halls

Members took a few moments silence in memory of members of the Guild who had passed away.

**3. Approval of Minutes of the AGM held on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019:**

It was proposed by Simon Allinson Bailey and seconded by Mark Cox that the Minutes of the last AGM held on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019 should be accepted which was unanimously approved.

**4. One Hundred and Twenty & Twenty First Report & Accounts:** The chairman of the meeting confirmed that the annual Executive Committee report was enclosed within the financial report produced by Bishop Fleming and that the accounts had been approved by the Executive Committee.

He confirmed that while the Guild finances continue to be in a healthy state the beneficiary and grant payments have increased.

He confirmed that the accounts had been independently examined by Bishop Fleming LLP.

It was proposed by Philip Baker and seconded by John Townend that the accounts should be approved which was unanimously approved by all present.

**5. Presidents Report:**

The chairman of the meeting confirmed the Income for the last 12 months has been reduced due to reduction in investment income and the Association dinner not taking place. Whilst the Association dinner did not take place they held a very successful online auction that resulted in a donation of £3,850.00 towards the charitable activities of the Guild which was much appreciated.

Charitable support was up during 2020 against 2019 (£9,075 in 2020 against £7,777 in 2019).

We have seen a reduction in the last 6 months of requests, and we ask all members of the Association to pass information of those who may be in