



BORDER UNION AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY (Company Limited by Guarantee)

Minute of the **Annual General Meeting** held at noon on Friday 15th December 2023

Chairman : His Grace Duke of Roxburghe

The Chairman welcomed everyone on the occasion of the 210th Annual General Meeting of the Society.

Present:

Mr D Withall, Mr I Fleming, Mr S Jack, Mrs V Mutch, Ms N Cormack, Miss Z Niven, Mr I Millar, Mr D Neill, Mr D Armstrong, Mrs C Nelson, Ms S Plummer, Mr S Fuller-Shapcott, Mr G Chisolm, Mr C McGregor, Mr P Richardson, Mr A Armstrong, Mr J Playfair-Hannay, Mr H Dodds, Mr A Grieve, Lord Joicey, Mr G Baird, Mr T Clark, Mr J Mitchell, Ms B Allison, Mr L Comins, Mr J Frater, Mr J Stenhouse, Mrs S Webster, Mr E Webster, Mr D Stephen, Mr K Redpath, Mr A Hodge, Mr B Stephenson, Mrs M Stephenson, Mr C Stewart, Mr M Stewart, Mrs F Walling, Mr T Arnott.

Apologies:

Mr A Hume, Mrs K Hume, Ms E Lambie, Mr R Wilson, Mrs J Wilson, Mr L Brown, Mr A Stewart, Mrs M Stewart, Mr A Stewart, Mrs J Stewart, Rev A Rodwell, Mr D Barrie, Mrs L Beck, Ms J Furness, Mrs A Packard, Mrs P Stewart and Mr K Stewart.

Minute of the Annual General Meeting held on Friday 9th December 2022: Having been circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were proposed by Mr Harry Dodds and seconded by Mr Ian Fleming

Matters arising from the Minute: There were no matters arising.

Annual Accounts and Report:

The Chairman of the Society Mr Peter Douglas gave his report for the year to the meeting. There were no questions from the floor on the Annual Report or Accounts which were circulated in advance of the meeting.

The Annual Report and Accounts were proposed by Mr Peter Douglas and seconded by Mr Tommy Clark.

Election of Office Bearers for the Year:

The Trustees of the Society proposed the following are elected as President and Vice Presidents for 2024, this was seconded by Mr David Armstrong.

- 1) President: His Grace the Duke of Roxburghe
- 2) Vice Presidents: His Grace the Duke of Buccleuch, His Grace the Duke of Sutherland, The Most Hon. Marquis of Lothian, Lord Joicey, The Hon. G Maitland-Carew, *W.T Arnott Esq, Mr Harry Dodds, Mr James Clark and Mr Gareth Baird.*
- 3) Farmer Vice Presidents: It was proposed the election of Ms Kath Dun and Mr Neil Thomson
- 4) Honorary Chaplain Rev Anna Rodwell; Honorary Veterinary Surgeons Galedin Veterinary; Auditors Rennie Welch; Solicitors Lindsays; Secretary/Treasurer Dan Withall. Re-election of these positions was proposed by Mr Keith Redpath and seconded by Mr Charles Stewart.
- 5) Trustees (Board of Management) – As per Articles of Association, the two trustees retiring by rotation are: Mr Gareth Baird and Mrs Patricia Stewart. Neither are standing for re-election therefore the Trustees propose that Mr David Armstrong and Mr Angus Armstrong are elected as Trustees, along with the re-election of Keith Redpath Douglas Stephen and Luke Comins. This motion was seconded by James Playfair-Hannay.

Society Directors

Note of the persons to become Society Directors until 2028. It was proposed by Mr Peter Douglas that the following become Society Directors in 2024:

Fiona Walling
Denise Playfair
Michael Leyland
Jacqueline Neill
Alistair Hodge
Adam Greive

All were in agreement.

Annual Subscription Fees

The recommendation by the Trustees is that membership fees for 2024 shall be as follows:-

Individual Membership - £42
Family Membership - £80
Life Membership - £750

This motion was proposed by Mr David Neill and seconded by Mr Stuart Fuller-Shapcott

Any other Competent Business

Tommy Clark thanked His Grace Duke of Roxburghe for his continued support for the Society. Tommy Clark also thanked those working for the Society and congratulated Peter Douglas on his successful Chairmanship over the last two years.

The Border Union Championship Dog Show Committee undergo changes with Mr Brian Stevenson stepping down as Secretary after 30 years of service. Mrs Myra Stevenson will step down as Assistant Secretary after 30 years of service and Mrs Susan Webster steps down as Treasurer after 28 years of service. All were presented with gifts of thanks by Mr Douglas Stephen.

Mr Tommy Clark thanked everyone for attending.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 12:00PM.