

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 6 MAY 2022 at 1015am**

**Attendance:** 60 participants, including 8 Directors and 1 member of staff.

**Directors at the AGM;** John Pitts (Chair), Trevor Southgate (Secretary), Chris Kew (Treasurer), Peter Bussey, Peter Mitchell, Paul Newson, Brett Ashby, Charlie Baker

**Apologies for absence;** Charles Clarke.

**Acceptance of minutes of AGM held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021:** no objections.

**Chairman's Report:** JP welcomed everyone and mentioned each of the sponsors. JP asked all attendees to fill in and return the feedback form in the delegate pack. JP asked for a round of applause for the Officers and Office Staff. JP said that the ELA has weathered the pandemic well.

**Financial Statements year end 31 December 2021:**

CK: the accounts are in the delegate pack. The advance payment for the conference is for this year's event. Corporation tax is £18000. A grant for the office heating system was received. JK asked if there were any government grants received in 2021. CK said no, £10000 was received in 2020. CK proposed accepting the accounts. TS seconded. **All agreed.**

**Appointment of accountants for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022:** Lovewell Blake have been used for several years and the ELA has a good working relationship with them, particularly Colin Fish. CK proposed, TS seconded. **All agreed.**

**Appointment of Directors:** There are four Directors, (CK, TS, PB & PM), whose term is ending in May 2022. There were also two vacancies. In January, all members were contacted and invited to stand for election as a Director. Two nominations were forthcoming. Therefore, as the Directors whose term is ending are happy to stand again and there are two vacancies, an election was not required. The two nominations were from Brett Ashby and Charlie Baker. JP introduced them to those present.

**Any other business:** None.

**Close of AGM:** JP closed the AGM at 1027hr