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MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10th 2026 AT 10.00AM

AT THE METROPOLITAN SPORTS VENUE, BUSHEY

MEMBERS PRESENT 143 ATTENDEES

PRESENT COMMITTEE

Anthea Brick, Assistant Treasurer; Oliver Cahn, Webmaster; Adrienne Cohen, Chairman; Sue Cohen, Membership Secretary; Marion Curzon, Secretary; Stephen Gold, Speakers' Secretary, Bette Goldsmith, Study Groups co-ordinator; Jerry Packman, Treasurer; Stephen Summers, Venue organiser and RUGS co-ordinator; Vivien Summers, Vice Chair and Outings and Events

THE CHAIRMAN, ADRIENNE COHEN, WELCOMED MEMBERS TO OUR FOURTEENTH AGM.

1. APOLOGIES Bette Goldsmith, Study Groups Co-ordinator; Christine and Jim Parkin; Kay and Keith Preston

2.APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS AGM DATED 11TH NOVEMBER 2025

These Minutes have been available to view on our website since October 19th. The Chairman asked whether there were any questions or comments relating to their accuracy or for purposes of information.

PROPOSER June Marks Membership no 840

SECONDER Pamela Kanter Membership no. 286

The membership was in favour with a show of hands.

No votes against and no abstentions

The Minutes dated November 11th 2025 were approved unanimously

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES

No points made or questions received. No comments made

4. APPROVAL ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR 2025/26

A link to the Annual Accounts on our website had been circulated to all members.

The Chairman asked whether there were any questions regarding the accounts and this was followed by a short Treasurer's report.

The treasurer reported that the total income for the year was £12,836. which comprised member subscriptions and gift aid. Expenditure was mainly the hire of the MET and catering for the monthly meetings together with the membership levy paid to the Third Age Trust. These payments totalled £16,590 which resulted in a planned deficit of £3754.

The Treasurer explained that the reason for the planned deficit over the past couple of years was to reduce the reserves to a level recommended by the Charities Commission. As a result, the annual membership fees have been kept to a minimum of only £15 per annum but will need to increase to £20 or more in the near future.

The Groups are all paying their own way and the Treasurer praised Vivien and Stephen Summers for well planned Events, which are breaking even.

There were no questions to the Treasurer.

The Chairman asked the members to approve the Accounts.

PROPOSER Stephen Forman Membership no 713

SECONDER Peter Weber Membership no 745

The membership was in favour with a show of hands

No votes against and no abstentions

The Accounts were approved unanimously.

5.APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER OF ACCOUNTS

Peter Breward, who has examined our accounts for the last ten years, is willing to continue. The Chairman asked that the appointment of Peter Breward be approved

PROPOSER Anthea Brick Membership no 763

SECONDER Alan Woolff Membership no 418

The membership was in favour with a show of hands

No votes against and no abstentions

The appointment of the Independent Examiner of the Accounts, Peter Breward, was approved unanimously.

6. APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Chairman advised that there had only been one person nominated for each of the roles which meant that no election needed to be held.

Chairman & Outside Liaison	**Adrienne Cohen**
Vice Chair/Outings & Events Co-ordinator	**Vivien Summers**
Treasurer	**Jerry Packman**
Secretary	**Marion Curzon**
Assistant Treasurer	**Anthea Brick**
Study Groups Co-ordinator	**Bette Goldsmith**
Membership Secretary	**Susan Cohen**
Webmaster	**Oliver Cahn**
Venue Organiser & Rugs Co-ordinator	**Stephen Summers**
Monthly Communications and Almoner	**Adrienne Cohen**

PROPOSER	**Melvyn Bloomfield**	**Membership no 435**
SECONDER	**Carole Constad**	**Membership no 70**

The membership was in favour, with a show of hands

No votes against and no abstentions

The Executive Committee was approved unanimously.

7.AOB

Our member, Joan Altman (327) raised a point. The parking at the MET is a problem. There is a bridge group which meets on a Wednesday and all members, even if they do not attend a session, register their cars and pay extra. Joan would like to propose that we increase our subs by £5 per annum to include the parking for everyone who attends our monthly meetings.

The Chairman responded that this will be discussed with the Treasurer but we have to bear in mind the response from those who do not attend meetings. However, the Chairman felt that since there is a system in place with another group, then the MET should be able to consider our request.

There being no further business, the AGM closed at 10.08 am.