

HUMANIST & SECULARIST LIBERAL DEMOCRATS

Minutes of the 2014 Annual General Meeting held in Picasso 3, Campanile Hotel,
Glasgow

Sunday October 5th at 0900 hours.

Present: 22 Members

1 Apologies for Absence: Arnie Gibbons. Mike Quinton.

2 Minutes of the 2013 AGM

These were approved as a true record.

3 Reports from the Executive committee

a) Chair

Toby Keynes reported on key events during the year including humanist marriage, assisted dying, animal slaughter, caste discrimination, contributions to the Pre-manifesto and Equalities working parties, collective worship in schools, faith schools and amendments tabled to conference..

b) Vice-chair

No report

c) Secretary

The Executive had met regularly .

d) Treasurer

The treasurer was not present but submitted annual accounts for 2013 and a budget for 2015

e) Membership

Paid up membership stood at 103.

4 Consideration of Annual Accounts

The accounts for the year ending December 2013 were accepted

5 Consideration of budget for 2015

The budget for 2015 was agreed including an amount for contributions to General Election candidates defending seats or in winnable seats.

6 Determination of Annual Subscription for 2014 - 15

This was agreed at £10 (no change)..

7 Close of nominations for election of Executive Committee

a) Chair

d) Treasurer

b) Vice-Chair

e) Membership Secretary

c) Secretary

f) Four Ordinary Members

8 Election of Executive Committee members to non-contested positions

The following were nominated and elected by a simple majority

a) Vice-Chair

Vera Head

b) Secretary

Kay Kirkham

c) Treasurer

Arnie Gibbons

d) Membership Secretary

Toby Keynes

e) Four Ordinary Members

Sue Vincent. John White. Sarah Noble and

Gary McLelland

There was no nomination for Chair. Richard Church indicated that he would be willing

to be co-opted..

9 Election of honorary co-presidents

Dr Evan Harris, Julian Huppert MP and Mike Quinton were nominated and elected by the required 2/3rds majority.

10 Appointment of examiner of the accounts for 2014

Peter Dunphy was appointed

11 Discussion of group activities

No additional points were raised.

12 Any other business

None.

Speaker

Mike Thornton MP spoke and took questions on the subject of Christianity and Humanism.