

DRAFT Minutes

Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday 15th June 2023

Time: 7.30pm

Location: Rainbow Lounge – Crawley Baptist Church

Invite sent: Via email to all registered volunteers, partner organisations, regular

donors and church leaders.

Attendees: See attached list 37 Attendees

Welcome address (Sharon Golightly)

Apologies noted and explanation given of the format of the evening.

Sharon extended a **special thank you to Alan's** son-in-law who gave his time to help with the formatting of the annual report and the donation of some printed hard copies for our use

Opening Prayer and scripture reflection.

Sharon read 1 Corinthians 12: 4 and Matthew 25:40 – and reflected on how each of those who are involved with the Easter Team are using their God given gifts in different ways to serve the community of Crawley.

Celebration Meal

Those attending shared a celebratory meal prepared by Rosemary Benwell and Gill White with support from Gill Bartlett. Sharon thanked those involved in preparing the meal and Rohan Andrew said grace.

Presentations

After the main course, presentations based around the annual report were presented by:

Su Parrish, Operations Report

Shared some of the data from the annual report and spoke about the growing demand for our services. She thanked all volunteers for generously giving their time and using their gifts to show the love of Jesus to those in need. Su also shared some of the feedback from clients, who regularly show their appreciation for the service they receive. Dave Orpin was introduced and welcomed to the team as Volunteer Co-ordinator.

John Lodemore, Treasurer Report

John shared some of the key financial data from the annual report and gave thanks for the many generous donations and grants that have been received to enable us to continue to operate and meet the growing demand.

Local Charities Working in Partnership

Our partner organisations present, shared about their work and how the the partnership with the Easter Team works so well.

Love Your Neighbour Crawley (Liz Burston & Ceri Turner)
Open House & Crawley Foodbank Partnership (Charlie Arratoon)



Appointment of Officers

Four of the Trustees will be coming to the end of a three-year term in April 2024 and three of them are happy to re-stand for a further three-year term. Rev. Steve Burston has decided to step down as a Trustee at this time and Sharon asked all present to thank him for his contribution to our work over the past years. A thank you card was circulated among those attending.

Helen Kendall Nominated John Lodemore and was seconded by Marion Parris Sue Gilbert Nominated Rohan Andrew and was seconded by Jon Mann Liz Burstone Nominated Paul Davies (Nobby) and was seconded by Su Parrish

Sharon explained that we had received one trustee nomination what we would be progressing through a selection process and explained that as a trustee board we are open to others who may wish to express an interest in joining the Board. Please contact Sharon Golightly if this would be of interest.

Appointment of external accountants

Alan Wigley of Soteria Accounting was nominated as our external accounts by Su Parrish and seconded by Dave Orpin.

The meeting closed with prayer followed by dessert and coffee.

We prayed for Sue and Charlie Miles, who were involved with both the Easter Team and Crawley Open house for many years.

We also prayed for Roger Baker one of our volunteers who is currently suffering with ill health.

The Easter Team

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Attendance List:

Firstname Surname	
Rohan	Andrew
Charlie	Arratoon
Gill	Bartlett
Denise	Beer
Rosemary	Benwell
Ted	Benwell
Steve	Bishop
Liz	Burston
Barbara	Dance
Nobby	Davies
Paul	Deamer
Sue	Edgeson
Christine	Evans
Tak	Chan
Jeanette	Fay
Bob	Fielden
June	Fielden
Sue	Gilbert
Jasmine	Glyn
Sharon	Golightly
Kevin	Gordon
Tony	Grover
Colin	Guest
Sandra	Guest
Sheila	Jeffery
Helen	Kendall
Valerie	Knight
John	Lodemore
Jon	Mann
Dave	Orpin
Marion	Parris
Su	Parrish
Philippa	Piper
Bridgit	Soloman
Glen	Stubbs
Ceri	Turner
Clair	West