Folkestone and Hythe Liberal Democrats: Annual General Meeting 2025

Tuesday 2nd December 7pm on Zoom

AGM Minutes 2025

Present: Matthew Horrox, Tim Prater, John Stokes, Rosa Morris, Kate McNeice, Gary Fuller, John Renshaw, Peter Gane, Tom McNeice, Alison Pemberton.

1. Welcome

2. Apologies

None received.

3. Minutes of 2024 AGM

Correction to minutes: AP was present. Minutes as corrected proposed AP, seconded RM. Agreed.

4. Officers Reports (Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, as applicable)

Chairs Report was circulated in advance, and discussed.

There was no Secretary Report.

Treasurers Report was circulated in advance.

Although mainly discussed at preceding Executive meeting, agreed.

5. 2024 accounts and Independent Auditor's Report

Were circulated in advance, discussed and noted.

6. Appointment of an Independent Examiner for 2025

JS Proposed to appoint John Ennew from Thanet who acted for us in 2024. TP seconded. Agreed unanimously.

7. Motions submitted in advance

None received.

8. Reports from Councils

Folkestone and Hythe District - Gary and Tim offered a verbal report.

Folkestone Town - John, Peter and Tim gave a verbal report, mainly around the group desire to gain control of the Folkestone Parks and Gardens Charity from the District.

Hythe Town - John gave an update on activity in the last year, and the aspiration for transfer of some limited areas of land from district to town. A July Hythe Sports Festival was also discussed.

9. Nomination or Election of Officers & Executive members

All executive positions were up for election. There were the following nominations for each role for 2026:

(a) Chair,

Matt H Nominated AP, Seconded TP. Elected.

(b) Treasurer;

John S Nominated MH, Seconded TP. Elected.

(c) Secretary;

Tim P Nominated JS, Seconded GF. Elected.

(d) Elections Officer;

Gary F Nominated MH, Seconded TP. Elected.

(e) Membership Development Officer;

Rosa M Nominated MH, Seconded GF. Elected.

(f) Diversity Champion.

No nomination.

Plus up to 8 ordinary executive members.

Alison P, Tom McN, Kate McN, Jon R, Peter G.

Nominated MH, Seconded TP. All Elected.

10. Close of meeting

Meeting closed 19.47.