



**EFFINGHAM RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**  
**DRAFT MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**Held in St. Lawrence Church Hall on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 19.30**

About 30 residents and visitors attended.

**1. Minutes of 2024 AGM**

These were approved; proposed by Lois Driscoll; seconded by Ian Smith.

**2. Matters arising**

None not covered by agenda.

**3. Chairman's report**

The report was set out in the recent Newsletter. Vivien White mentioned the forthcoming litter picks as well as the Heritage Open day in September. She thanked the Committee and road wardens for their support during the last year.

**4. Treasurer's report**

Phillipa Birks gave the Treasurer's Report. She reported that EFFRA's finances are healthy. EFFRA's modest expenditure is matched by steady income from regular advertisers and income from Vivien White's book "Not Just Bouncing Bombs! The Life and Career of Sir Barnes Wallis." The small deficit in 2023 had been due to reprinting the book with the healthy surplus in 2024 due to income from its sales.

The Current Account Balance at 31st December 2024 was £1011.86 (opening the year at £2083.08). The Deposit Account Balance was £6396.78 (opening the year at £4354.32).

Phillipa thanked Roy Donovan for auditing the accounts and the committee for making her first year as Treasurer a rewarding experience.

**5. Election of Hon. Secretary**

There had been no nominations for Honorary Secretary. Anyone interested in this position should contact the Chairman.

**6. Election of Hon. Treasurer**

Phillipa Birks was standing again for election; there were no other nominations.

Proposed by Harry Clarke and seconded by Bhupinder Mahi. Phillipa was elected.

**7. Election of Committee**

The existing Committee agreed to stand and was re-elected; proposed by Sarah Montgomery and seconded by Lois Driscoll.

**8. Election of Road Wardens**

The existing road wardens were re-elected; proposed by Honor Gay and seconded by Terry Driscoll.

**9. Election of Examiner**

Roy Donovan had kindly agreed to continue in this role and was re-elected; proposed by Sarah Montgomery and seconded by David King.

**10. Any other business**

This item was taken following the talk entitled Community Action for Future-Proofed Towns & Villages by Ben McCallan a founder of the award-winning charity Zero Carbon Guildford and Surrey County Council's Senior Climate Officer and Greener Futures Engagement Lead.

Vivien White gave an update on the Berkeley Homes/Howard School development following a recent meeting of representatives of the Parish Council and EFFRA with Berkeley Homes Southern Ltd and the Howard Trust.

Sarah Montgomery, KGV Manager then gave a short presentation on proposals for a Community Play Zone and Coronation Natural Play & Habitat's Trail at the KGV for which funding is being sought from Surrey County Council. Help on the submission is needed from qualified residents.

The meeting was closed at 20.45.