

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD IN THE HELENA THOMPSON MUSEUM ON TUESDAY
8th SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 7.30 pm**

The Chairman, Peter Inglis, took the Chair in the presence of 23 members.

Apologies - received from 23 members.

Minutes of the last AGM were approved and there were no Matters Arising.

Reports were read out to the membership

Chairman's Report

Treasurer's Report - Acceptance of the Accounts proposed by Geoff Brinicombe, seconded by Gill Scholey.

Publicity Report

Technical Report

Election of Officers, Committee and Council Members - the following were elected:

President	Geoff Hool* (prop. Peter Inglis, sec. Grace Walker)
Chairman	Peter Inglis* (prop. Pat Brinicombe, sec. Gilda Wells)
Vice-Chairman	Paul Adams* (prop. Gill Scholey, sec. Jenni Rushton)
Secretary	Grace Walker* (prop. Peter Inglis, sec. Anne Chambers)
Treasurer	Gilda Wells* (prop. Jenni Rushton, sec. Paul Adams)
Assistant Treasurer	Anne Hindmoor (prop. Gilda Wells, sec. Paul Adams)
Company Secretary	Geoffrey Hall* (prop. Grace Walker, sec. Peter Inglis)
Productions Director	Jenni Rushton * (prop. Peter Inglis, sec. Helen Earl)
Youth Leader	Millie Hardy-Sims* (prop. Anne Chambers, sec. Brian Young)
Technical Director	Geoff Brinicombe* (prop. Peter Inglis, sec. Paul Adams)
Maintenance Manager	Tony McGorrian (prop. Geoff Brinicombe, sec. Grace Walker)
Properties Manager	Anne Chambers* (prop. Pat Brinicombe, sec. Gill Scholey)
Wardrobe Manager	Helen Earl* (prop. Grace Walker, sec. Peter Inglis)
House & Social Committee Representative	Glynn Scurr* (prop. Gill Scholey, sec. Grace Walker)
Bar	Heather Scholey (prop. Gill Scholey, sec. Glynn Scurr)
Publicity Manager	Pat Brinicombe* (prop. Grace Walker, sec. Gilda Wells)
Prompter Editor	Gillian Scholey* (prop. Glynn Scurr, sec. Heather Scholey)
LTG Representative	Geoffrey Hall (prop. Grace Walker, sec. Peter Inglis)

Those denoted * serve on Council.

One member pointed out that there appeared to be no position of Membership Secretary and the Chairman explained that this should be taken care of by the proposed new management structure which will be outlined to Members following the first meeting of the newly-elected Council.

Any Other Business -

1. There was some discussion about Playgoers having priority in the refurbished theatre and the Chairman reassured Members that this would always be the case.
2. The Chairman reminded members that the BIG Lottery Fund has also offered us £25,750 to help develop the management and marketing of the Theatre and to fund the relaunch.
3. Paul Adams outlined a proposal for the first event in the new theatre
4. The Chairman summed up the current position on the building project. Architects Plus were appointed and 3 tenders were received. Jacob Stobbarts Ltd won the contract and work started at the end of June. Details of all the funding received are in the Chairman's report. Playgoers' website is regularly updated with photographs of the work which is scheduled to be completed by 8th December 2015 although this may change as some difficulties have been encountered along the way (e.g. asbestos, dangerous chimney in upstairs theatre). This is not unusual with old buildings and these are being resolved.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.