

Present: S, Giudici (SG) (chair). Trustees: P. Brewerton (PB), K. Taylor (KT), E. Barrell (EB), J. Lunn (JL), J. Rogers (JR), H. Gallo (HG), A. Ryan (AR), S. Durham(S)

Others: C. Burrows (CB) (manager)

Apologies: R. Blay

Declarations of Interest: EB declared his interest as a director of Thames Electric Launch Co, a supplier to the Trust.

Minutes of last meeting were approved with no redactions. Proposed JL, seconded AR

Matters arising: JL indicated that he wished to retire from Council on health grounds but instead had agreed to take a leave of absence should his health so require.

JL suggested we instate a Roll of Honour to commemorate volunteers who have passed away. EB suggested that we should also have an honours board listing officials over the years. No decision was taken on either of these suggestions.

Governance: SG reported on progress on issues that had been raised at the strategy day.

Finance: HG reported that we are in the process of applying for a deposit account with Cambridge and Counties Bank who offer good rates and do not require a current account. There were no questions on the accounts presented.

Management: There was discussion about our social media presence, including an appeal for volunteers on Facebook by Richard Blay. This developed into a rather heated discussion about the apparent division between SBOC and DVB; in particular SD mentioned some disquiet among DVB volunteers concerning the Royal visit to Dedham. At this point SG announced his frustration with certain trustees and his intention to resign. SG then left the meeting. The discussion continued and EB and HG also left.

PB suggested that the meeting be adjourned and offered to speak to those who had left, and this was agreed.

Meeting closed at 2.40 pm.

Post meeting update: Both SG and HG have decided to stand down as trustees and officers of the Trust.

PB has suggested and other trustees agreed to meet on 10th March at 2pm.

REDACTED Addendum: Transcript of section of meeting during Management item.