# MINUTES OF INTERIM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of FSALG HELD ON 22nd SEPTEMBER 2019 VIA ZOOM

#### **Members Present via Zoom**

N Farthing, M Barber, G Pearse, R Pearse, J Pratt, A Pratt, K Horn, R Farrow, P Farrow, R Martin, H May,

J Austin, J Praite, J Elkins, R & L Chalmers, T Mason, G Mason,

### **Opening Remarks**

The Chairman designate N Farthing welcomed those able to attend, explaining that the meeting was being held by "Zoom" as an expedient to regularise matters whilst it was still impossible to hold a normal AGM whilst Covid19 restrictions were in place. In due course hopefully by March 2021 we will be able to hold a normal AGM when decisions taken might be formally ratified.

# **Treasurers Report**

The accounts for 2019 had been circulated the Treasurer reported that it had been another successful year with a surplus for the year in the region of  $\pm$ 1,700, largely due to profits from the sale of goods, and the King's seed scheme. He recommended that there was no need to review the subscriptions at present. Acceptance of the accounts were proposed by M Barber, seconded by J Praite and carried unanimously.

### **Election of Officers and Committee**

The chair was handed to the Secretary for the election of a new Chairman. Having asked for nominations, N Farthing was proposed as Chairman by T Mason, and seconded by R Chalmers, there being no other candidates, N Farthing was duly elected unanimously. The Secretary handed the Chair back to N Farthing. <u>Treasurer</u>, G Pearse was willing to stand again and was proposed by J Praite, Seconded by P Farrow elected Nem Con.

<u>Secretary</u> J Pratt was willing to stand again and was proposed by T Mason, Seconded by J Austin elected Nem Con.

The rest of the committee were willing to be re-elected, and there being no other nominations for committee members, their re-election was proposed by T Mason, seconded by J Praite carried Nem Con. G Bowden had been proposed for election to the Committee, but has withdrawn his nomination.

N Farthing proposed that M Barber be granted Honorary Life Membership in recognition of his service as Chairman from 2009 to 2020 during which time he was instrumental in raising the profile of the Society, and increasing the membership dramatically, suitably rewarded by receiving the Mayor's Award for public Service this year. Agreed unanimously.

# Any other Business

There are still outstanding issues with the gate at Ferry road both with the lock and the need for levelling the access. These matters will be progressed with the Town Council and the developer. Meeting closed at 7.30 pm