

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of
The Society of Old Framlinghamians
At 6.15pm on Saturday 25th March, 2023
In the Albert Room, at Framlingham College

Present: Peter Howard-Dobson – President – in the Chair; René Behar; Chris Bellamy; Simon Dougherty; John Ellerby; Ruth Elwood (Hon Gen Sec); Chris Essex; Jon Ford; Tamsin Holmes; Kate Jackson; Tony Martin; Bruce Pearson; Norman Porter; Nick Jacob; Charles Packshaw (Hon OF); John Rankin; Brian Smith, Clive Smith, Michael Smy; Nick Whitehead; and Colin Wigg.

1.0	Apologies	
1.1	Hon Gen Sec read out the list of Apologies as: David Astall; Rob Bellfield; Bernard Bridges; Nigel Burnip; Bill Collard; David Copeman; Ian Fulcher; John Halahan; Keith Handley; Barry Hitchcock; John Horton; Ian Howard; Chris Keeble; Hugh Kennon; Andrew Lillie; David Lowe; Carolyn Mallett; Mary Make; Satine Margarya; Neville Marsh; Chris Milner-Moore; David Mitchel; Chrissy Johnston-Myachin; Slava Johnston-Myachin; Ian Pearson; Luke Quartermaine; Si Rolfe; James Ruddock-Broyd; Richard Sayer; Chris Shaw; Amelia Slater; Chris Sneath; Julian Stapleton; Douglas Thomson; Raymond Trevethic; David Turnbull; Sophie van den Arend; David Wilton; Bob Williams and Andrew Wright.	
1.2	The President welcomed everyone to the 2023 AGM.	
1.3	The President asked if anyone had conflicts of interest and none were declared.	
2.0	Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 2nd April 2022	
2.1	These Minutes had been emailed to Council by Kate Jackson ahead of the meeting and had been made available on the website (www.oldframlinghamian.com).	
2.2	The President invited comments by dissent, but none were received. The minutes were proposed for adoption by Norman Porter and seconded by Simon Dougherty. These are to be signed as a true record of proceedings on 2 nd April 2022. All agreed.	
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	Hon Gen Sec confirmed actions completed from the 2022	

	minutes.	
3.2	The President invited questions or comments, but none were forthcoming.	
4.0	Report on Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2022.	
4.1.1	The Chair of Trustees, Chris Essex, started off by apologising for his non-appearance at the last minute in London last year, caused by him missing the train!	
4.1.2	The accounts had been formally approved by the Trustees and Ensors, the Society's auditors. They had been uploaded to the SOF website over the last month.	
4.1.3	As usual there were two sets of accounts expertly produced by Michael Smy, for which the Trustees would like to record their sincere thanks.	
4.1.4	The two sets of accounts were detailed; one for the Society and one for the Charitable Trust and overall the accounts have not varied much from the previous year.	
4.2	<i>Overview</i>	
4.2.1	Overall 2022 was a much less significant year financially for the Society, following the £300,000 donation by the Charitable Trust to the College in 2021.	
4.2.2	The one significant item of expenditure was initial costs associated with the new website and I will mention the overall amount spent a bit later.	
4.2.3	Throughout 2022, the Society's Investment manager, Investec, had managed SOF funds on a discretionary management basis. Subject to SOF investment policy and benchmarks, which are reviewed at least annually, Investec are fully responsible for the choice of the investments in the Society's portfolio. The SOF investment policies had remained unchanged throughout the year, with the Trustees seeking a balanced return over a 10 year+ period between income and growth, based on Investec's Medium Risk approach.	
4.2.4	Overall at the end of 2022 we had invested funds of just under £1.1m, split across the general and charitable accounts.	
4.3	Society's General Account	
4.3.1	General Account, Page 7: The grant from the College was up slightly at £9,500, as some more activities had recommenced after Covid, but it was still only 65% of what had been requested in a "normal" year. The only expenditure of note was on the new website, which was funded by the Trustees rather than the College.	

4.3.2	A five-year project to digitise the complete inventory of Old Framlinghamian magazines, from 1889 to the present day, was now complete, creating a fantastic historical record of the school and its pupils which is on our website. As previously agreed, half of the cost (about £3,000) was expected to be recovered from the College in due course.	
4.3.3	The Trustees Income Accounts, Page 8: The investment income recovered significantly, with a 25% increase, gross of fees. Our investment income net of fees improved to £8,500. We were fortunate during the year to receive 2 legacies of £10,000 and £1,000. Much lower donations to SOF Charitable Fund were mainly to cover the Moreau Scholarships.	
4.3.4	Balance Sheet, Page 9: The Balance Sheet at year end 2022 remained in a healthy state, with its value down slightly at £1,455,521. However, it should be borne in mind that this total includes £500,000 of loans provided to the SOF Charitable Fund in order to maximise tax efficiency. Over the last year the investment portfolio, net of fees, fell by 9% compared with a gross of fees benchmark fall of 7.1%. However, compared with the broader ARC benchmark of Investec's peers, they outperformed slightly. The value of investments in the General fund at 31 st December 2022 was down to £933,196.	
4.3.5	John Ellerby asked if the Ken Mayhew legacy had been given with any stipulations. The President advised that his widow Trish had made a subsequent request that the funds be used to provide lighting in the Chapel. On this matter, the SOF was waiting for the College to progress matters.	
4.4	SOF Charitable Trust Accounts	
4.4.1	Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA), Page 8: as has been the case for a number of years, this at first glance looks alarming, with a deficit of £262,992 in the restricted income fund and an overall deficit of £108,073 after taking account of expendable endowment. However, the deficit was covered by the long term loan from the Society. No loan repayments were made in 2022 as is allowed under the loan agreement.	
4.4.2	Balance Sheet, Page 9: Over the last year the portfolio, net of fees, fell by 8.2% compared with a gross of fees benchmark fall of 7.1%. However, compared with the broader ARC benchmark of Investec's peers, they outperformed by 1.6%. The value of investments at 31 st December 2022 was down to £154,919.	
4.4.3	Grants and Awards Page 16: After excluding £300,000 donation in 2021, these were up slightly at £12,232 during	

	2022. As in recent years the bulk of the individual awards were prizes given out on Speech Day and consisted of 15 prizes, paying £50 to each to Year 11 pupil; 15 prizes paying £100 each to Year 13 pupils; and 2 Albert Awards, paying £150 to 2no Year 13 pupils.	
4.4.4	These awards were in addition to those given for 2 Moreau Leaving Scholarships, for each year, of £1,000 per annum over 3 years, making an outlay of £6,000 in total per annum.	
4.4.5	The Charity also gave financial grants to a current pupil for music lessons, another pupil for a school choir trip and another pupil for a geography field trip to Iceland. All were at the direct request of the Principal.	
4.4.6	CE invited questions or comments on the 2022 accounts, but none were forthcoming.	
4.5	Following the end of the financial year, work and therefore costs associated with the website have been completed, as has the design, printing and dispatch of the new OF Newspaper to every member throughout the world, with a postal address. In total the website has cost us around £40,000, within the agreed £50,000 budget set by Council and we are still pursuing the previous contractor for recovery of up to £4,000. PHD was due to attend a hearing on 14 th April at Ipswich Magistrates Court to hear the appeal, with a CCJ taken out against them. The OF Newspaper has cost the SOF £9,000, with Chris Keeble generously providing all the design work for free this year. NJ gave a vote of thanks to CK for his efforts. These both represent a significant enhancement to our communication with all members.	
4.6	CE made a personal tribute to Peter for his leadership and particularly his vision in respect of the new website. It had taken too long to deliver but he hoped over the coming years it would be a much used resource, enabling better communication with, and importantly between OFs of all generations. Thank you Peter.	
4.7	CE concluded with the following, on behalf of fellow Trustees. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alex Henney had completed his first term of 4 years, but due to family circumstances was having to step down as a Trustee. Thanks were offered to Alex, particularly for his expertise on investment management and wished him and his family well for the future. • CE confirmed that later in the AGM, Tim Mitchell was 	

	<p>proposed for appointment as a Trustee for a 4 year term. Tim was a Trustee previously until he had to retire when he became deputy leader of Westminster City Council. He had also been critical to developing the new website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CE had agreed to stay on for one further year as Chairman of the Trustees, but would definitely retire at the AGM in 2024, after about 15 years. • Finally, thanks were offered to Michael Smy again, for the 2 sets of accounts and for doing them for the last few years. As a reflection of his great work, Ensors made no changes to the accounts he produced. Whilst Michael was going to continue as a Trustee, he was handing his accounting books over to Mike Coker who was appointed a Trustee last year. 	
4.8	The President offered a massive vote of thanks on behalf of council for Chris Keeble's enormous efforts in producing the Newspaper. He then invited questions or comments, but none were forthcoming. Simon Dougherty proposed the acceptance of the Accounts and this was seconded by Nick Jacob. All Members were in support.	
5.0	President's Review of the Year 2021 to 2022	
5.1	The President, Peter Howard Dobson, provided a brief overview of the last 12 months as follows:	
5.2	<i>Events 2022 to 2023</i>	
5.2.1	The year began on 2 nd April with the Annual Dinner, held at The RAF Club and organised to perfection by Simon Dougherty, with a great turn-out of young and older OFs,. The Newmarket Supper would normally have followed in April, but was proven to be too close to the Annual Dinner, so only the meetings went ahead, via Zoom. The London Council Meeting and supper went ahead in July at the Lansdowne Club, kindly organised by Alex Henney. A great cross-section of both young and older OFs attended and were keen to support the principal of a printed magazine. Later in October, the Suffolk supper was held at FC, followed in November by the Norfolk supper in Norwich. The January London supper was cancelled due to an anticipated rise in Covid over the New Year, so today's AGM was the first opportunity for OFs to celebrate together in 2023.	
5.2.2	The last twelve months had seen a full program, of golf and shooting and a range of other sports, including the OF v College sports day last June, uninterrupted by Covid.	

5.3	<i>Governance of the Society</i>	
5.3.1	The President was pleased to see the return of face-to-face meetings, especially both last year's and this year's AGMs. He acknowledged that greater flexibility had been adopted via Zoom meetings, providing an opportunity for overseas council members' involvement. He was indebted to those who had helped keep the various organs of the Society in full working order throughout: Trustees, Finance and Council. He was pleased to confirm all meetings had conformed with the SOF Rules and Procedures.	
5.4	<i>The College</i>	
5.4.1	Discussions had commenced with the College's senior team on the subject of the 2013 SOF/College Agreement, which is due to terminate in December 2023, unless renewed by both parties. PHD was indebted to the Relationship Sub-committee members, who had contributed enormously: Chris Essex, Nick Jacob, Jenny Binder and Ruth Elwood.	
5.4.2	Under <i>The Agreement</i> , FC had achieved its aim for all school leavers to become members of the Society. The Society's operating costs had been met by the College, which meant the SOF was no longer reliant on the historical subscription model in place prior to <i>The Agreement</i> . Discussions over the renewal had not been as relaxed as the President would have liked. FC was quite rightly, intent on developing a highly focused approach to alumni relations and development, (that is, fundraising), and was less convinced than we would like, that the Society was supportive of this, and as importantly, useful in meeting their objectives.	
5.4.3	In 2022, the SOF completed the data sharing agreement with FC, to facilitate the sharing of contact data and individual contact preferences across our extensive database. During the <i>2013 Agreement</i> meetings, it had become clear that what the SOF had believed to be a very positive step, was not being viewed in the same way by FC team. It seemed that the FC IT team had not been sufficiently engaged in the processing of SOF data to make it useful to their marketing and development teams.	
5.4.4	The Society continues to emphasised ongoing commitment and enthusiasm to support the FC alumni events program and resolving data usage issues. Once data sharing issues are resolved, the SOF team will work towards reaching a successful conclusion to the renewal discussions over the coming months.	
5.4.5	Due to budget constraints, FC only published a digital version of <i>The Framlinghamian</i> magazine, in a format	

	<p>principally aimed to market FC to prospective parents, whilst reassuring existing parents of the quality of the education across the whole school. In line with feedback across the generations attending Council meetings, members agreed that a printed version of the SOF section would be well received and sought Trustees approval to fund the Newspaper, which could also be used to launch and publicise the new SOF Website. This was supported by Trustees, who agreed to fund a Newspaper version of the OF Section of <i>The Framlinghamian</i>, to be issued to existing OFs and current College 6th Formers. Chris Keeble kindly volunteered to mastermind the production of the Newspaper, to whom the Society owed an enormous debt of gratitude. The President would have liked to present him with a token of appreciation at the AGM, but he was unable to attend, so CE would be delivering a card in person, tomorrow.</p>	
5.5	<i>People</i>	
5.5.1	<p>The President noted he was just a figurehead and nothing would happen without the unstinting support of a great many people. He named a few as follows, offering apologies to those that he may have inevitably missed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ruth Elwood – for her role as Hon Gen Sec. • Chris Essex – as Chairman of the Trustees alongside his fellow Trustees. • David Carr – as Hon. Treasurer. • Luke Quartermaine – the Chairman of the Young OFs and Sports Co-ordinator; • Kate Jackson – OF Co-ordinator, who does so much behind the scenes and who so kindly volunteered to be the Organiser of this year’s Annual Dinner. • Simon Dougherty for his unstinting support and encouragement throughout my presidential term. • Several other Past Presidents and senior colleagues. • The Website administration team; especially Chris Essex and Tim Mitchell for their hard work on the Website Redevelopment project, which continues on a daily basis; • <i>The Framlinghamian</i> OF section correspondents; • The Moreau Scholarship Selection Committee, led by David Mallett with his outstanding chairmanship, Jenny Binder, Nick Whitehead and Cam Greenhall, who was now an employee at FC so was likely to step back from this role. 	
5.6	<i>Membership & Engagement</i>	
5.6.1	PHD stated his Presidential goals set 2 years ago had	

	<p>been to improve membership & communications after Covid, via both a new website and a new Arts group.</p> <p><i>Website</i> - The President had hoped that the launch of the new SOF website would have come much earlier during his Term; not least, because it would have been an attractive and useful tool for the membership as a whole, especially younger members, promoting greater engagement across the generations. It would also have provided the facility to aid the establishment of the OF Society of The Arts, again widening engagement.</p>	
5.6.2	<p><i>Honorary OFs</i> – This award was in recognition of at least ten years’ service on the part of staff, or at any time for particular service to the SOF or the College, by staff and others. There had been a catch-up event held in 2022 for the ten-year Honorary OFs and current nominations were to be covered later.</p>	
5.7	<p><i>Deaths</i></p>	
5.7.1	<p>18 deaths had been notified to the Society since the last AGM. These had been listed in Council Meeting Minutes, with details on the SOF website Noticeboard. All names are listed below, with key people highlighted* by the President, as follows:</p> <p>*John Kerr, (G53-56); who died on 15th March 2023 at the age of 83. His funeral was to be private with a service of thanksgiving at Easton Grange on 12th April. John had been a remarkable man, having been a FC Vice President and Governor and fully engaged in Suffolk Life as Justice of the Peace, Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Chairman of Ipswich Town FC, Chair of the Suffolk Agricultural Association to name a few. He had been greatly admired and PHD was to attend his service on behalf of the Society.</p> <p>Alison Litz, (M86-92); who died unexpectedly on 4th January 2023.</p> <p>*Tim Gough, (M80-85); who died suddenly on 24th October 2022, while broadcasting live on his radio breakfast show. Tim had been due to attend the Norfolk Supper as the key note speaker, but following his death, Ruth Elwood stepped in pay tribute to his life and radio career.</p> <p>Ian Bruce, (G43-48); who died on 12th October 2022.</p> <p>Roy Samuel Farman, (K47-55); who died on 22nd November 2022, aged 86 years.</p> <p>Nicholas (Nick) Argent, (R62-64); who died on 12th October 2022.</p> <p>*Daphne Hall, (Hon OF); who died on 19th July 2022. She had been married to Artie Hall, known as ‘The Steward’,</p>	

	<p>who had played an important role running everything outside of education, at FC.</p> <p>Professor Gareth Williams: who died on 25th August 2022.</p> <p>Alain Maxime de Cadenet, (K54-63): Who died on 1st July 2022, aged 76.</p> <p>Robert (Brett) Bailey, (K58-65): who died on 30th June 2022, in New South Wales Australia.</p> <p>Juliet (Julie) Latimer Jones (Hon OF): Died on 20th June 2022.</p> <p>*Angela Rankin: Wife of John Rankin OF, who died on 28th April 2022. PHD offered his sincere condolences to John for his loss.</p> <p>James Philip Vernon Frost (M78-82): Who died whilst living in Tokyo, aged 57.</p> <p>Christopher Martin, (K48-56): The SOF was advised in February 2022 that Chris had died.</p> <p>Nick Vincent, (R53-58): who died on the 14th of February 2022, at the age of 81.</p> <p>Lieutenant Colonel Peter Williams Wade (late PWO), (S45-49): who died on 8th February 2022, aged 90 years.</p> <p>Gareth Williams, (K46-54): who died on 25th August 2021.</p> <p>Graham Ireland, Former Music Teacher: who died in December 2020, aged 81.</p>	
5.8	<i>Other Matters</i>	
5.8.1	After many years as Annual Dinner organiser , Simon Dougherty had retired from the role in 2022. The President appealed to members, for someone to step forward NOW to take on this role, with SD's guidance, as Kate Jackson had only volunteered to run the 2023 dinner.	
5.9	<i>President's Conclusion</i>	
5.9.1	PHD stated that it had been both an enormous privilege, pleasure and joy to be President for the last two years, and thanked everyone for giving him the opportunity to do so. He was thrilled to have finally launched the new Website, publicised it in the SOF Newspaper knowing it would open up a new communications channel to the wider membership, assisting with the launch of the Society of The Arts as a new SOF Group.	
5.9.2	He was disappointed to have not made more progress with the renewal of <i>The 2013 Agreement</i> between the Society and the College, noting that the discussions would continue. He was pleased to report that Nick Whitehead had asked him to continue as Chairman of the Relationship Sub-committee, which Nick would also be	

	joining.	
5.9.3	He was delighted that Nick had agreed to stand for election as the next President. At just 30 years of age, he was the youngest ever SOF President – beating the 1910 President, Edwin Mawby by a year. Nick had enormous energy, with a track record of making things happen, knowing he was keen to find new ways of keeping the SOF relevant to new generations of Old Framlinghamians.	
5.9.4	That concluded the President's report. The President invited questions or comments, but none were forthcoming.	
6.1	President's Election	
6.1.1	President: Nick Whitehead had offered to stand as the new President. His election was proposed by Simon Dougherty and seconded by PHD with unanimous support from Council. PHD offered his sincere congratulations and asked NW to take the Chair as the new President.	
6.1.2	Nick thanked Peter and stated it was a big honour to take on the role.	
7.0	Trustees Appointments & Retirements	
7.1.1	Tim Mitchell was proposed by Chris Essex for re-appointment as a Trustee.	
7.1.2	The new President, Nick Whitehead, was also proposed by Chris Essex for appointment as a Trustee.	
7.1.3	Alex Henney was proposed to retire as a Trustee after the AGM.	
7.1.4	The President informed the meeting that Chris Essex was due to retire after the AGM, but had agreed to complete one final year, to 2024, as Chairman of the Trustees.	
7.1.5	The President sought approval from Members for changes to Trustees. Council gave their unanimous support.	
8.0	To Elect Officers of the Society for 2022-2023	
8.1.1	The President announced the remaining Officers of the Society to be elected were:	
8.1.2	Vice Presidents: No new Vice Presidents were being proposed.	
8.1.3	Hon Gen Sec – Ruth Elwood was to continue, following co-option onto Council in May 2019 and elected at the 2020 AGM.	
8.1.4	Hon Treasurer: David Carr was to continue, following his election at the 2020 AGM.	
8.1.5	Young OFs & Sports Co-ordinator: Luke Quartermaine was to continue in both roles, following his election at the 2021 AGM.	
8.1.6	Council Members: The President nominated the following	

	<p>OFs to be considered by Members, for election/re-election, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Archie Winter, to be endorsed by Members following his co-option in 2021. • Re-election of Chrissy & Slava Johnston-Myachin and Cam Greenhall, each for a second Term. 	
8.1.7	<p>Finance Committee – appointed in accordance with SOF Rule 5a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President, Trustees, Hon Sec, Hon Treasurer; golf & shooting organisers; the sports co-ordinator; OF coordinator at the College; Chair of Young OFs Committee are all included in the Finance Committee. • Jack Bullen was proposed by PHD, as a new member of the finance committee, as a representative of the Arts Group. • Objections were invited, with none received and all appointments confirmed. All agree. 	
8.1.8	<p>Independent Examiner: Ensors, to continue as appointed by the College in accordance with the SOF FC Agreement.</p>	
8.1.9	<p>Elections were concluded and The President invited questions or comments, but none were forthcoming, allowing all the above to be elected ‘en bloc’.</p>	
9.0	New Hon OFs	
9.1.1	<p>The President continued with the following nominations, as proposed at the 26th January 2022 Council Meeting.</p>	
9.1.2	<p>Rule 3.3a - Hon OF Nominations – Nick Gandy, Director of Sport and head of Kerrison House at FC, was proposed as an Hon OF by PHD on behalf of the Society, in recognition of his service to FC. This was seconded by KJ and endorsed by all Members.</p>	
9.1.3	<p>Rule 3.3b - Hon OF Nominations – under the 10 year revised rules, the following individuals had been agreed as eligible and accepted their invitation, in recognition of at least ten years’ service to FC, having undergone consultations and due diligence by FC HR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janet Abbott: who no longer worked at FC but she had been the Catering Chef at FCPS for approximately 30 years. • Sue Donlan: who no longer worked at FC but she had been the Science Technician for 18 years. She had also run the knitting club. • Di Stopher: Had worked as Chef in the Catering department since 2005. • Elaine Cogdell: Swimming Coach at FC since 2010 and had recently starting helping out in the Art Department. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ashley Hendy: Joined the College as a volunteer in 2010 in the Army Section of the CCF and had been turning up, religiously every Wednesday, every Field Day, every DofE Camp in the Lakes, every Annual Camp to help. He was now FC's Gold DofE Assessor and Louise had appointed him recently as Head of the RAF Section. • Jamie Kingstone: Had been Assistant Director of Sport and Head Hockey Coach at FC since 2012. • Jeanette Thomas: Had been a Domestic Assistant in Victoria House since 2012; • Leo Goldsmith: Had been Head of English at FC since 2012; • James Loveridge: Had been Head of Upper Prep at FCPS since 2012. 	
9.1.4	1 member of staff had declined and 2 had failed to respond, namely: Paul Kerridge, Kyra Wilson and Charlotte Page.	
9.1.5	SD asked if Jamie Kingstone was leaving, as he had seen his job being advertised. KJ confirmed he was leaving FC.	
9.1.6	Objections or dissent were invited by the President. Tony Martin stated his dissent at the appointment of Hon OFs, which was noted. All were proposed by the President and seconded by SD.	
9.1.7	Hon Gen Sec is to issue formal letters to those listed under Rule 3.3b and PHD is to write to Nick Gandy under 3.3a.	HGS/PHD
10.0	Any Other Business	
10.1	The Hon Gen Sec outlined forthcoming meetings and suppers as follows:	
10.1.1	The Newmarket Council Meeting was to be held at Ravenwood Hotel, Blackthorpe, Bury Saint Edmunds, IP30 9JA, on Wednesday 24 th May 2023, with a new and deliberately informal social gathering after the meetings, with drinks and bar snacks in lieu of a full supper, organised by Ian Fulcher. Details to follow.	
10.1.2	The London Council Meeting and Supper, was to be held on Friday July 27 th 2023, in London, organised by Tim Mitchell. Details to follow.	
10.1.3	The Edinburgh gathering in August 2023, was TBC due to a lack of support in 2022, organised by Douglas Thomson.	
10.1.4	Early September 2023, Afternoon Tea at Brandeston Hall to celebrate the 75 th anniversary of the Prep School. Details TBC.	
10.1.5	The Suffolk Council Meeting and Supper was to be held on Saturday 21 st October 2023, organised by Ruth Elwood. Details to follow.	
10.1.6	HGS had made enquiries with FC into holding a BH	HGS

	<p>supper, with the following response: <i>'We have spoken internally about the possibility of using the prep school to host the supper, but we have come to the joint agreement that unfortunately it just isn't a suitable place to hold a dinner. We don't have the appropriate resources in the kitchen, nor do we have seating or the space that would be suitable for adults in the dining room. It was suggested that we would be able to do a canape and prosecco night, rather than a seated meal.'</i> [POST MEETING NOTE: Louise North approached HGS/RE during dinner and stated that a dinner at BH was possible. All discussions should be directed between her and Mel Lewis. HGS to make enquiries]</p>	
10.1.7	The Norfolk Supper was to be held in November 2023, organised by Ed Wharton. Details to follow.	
10.1.8	The London Council Meeting and Supper was to be held in January 2024, organised by Tim Mitchell. Details to follow.	
10.1.9	The date of next AGM is TBC. Organiser required.	
10.1.10	Chris Bellamy stated that he was pleased to note an article in the SOF Newspaper, naming Commander Tim Woods as being very involved at the heart of the Ukraine, re-opening the Embassy in Kiev. When CB called FC to comment, the phone was answered by Zoe Bellfield – the wife of Robert Bellfield, OF.	
10.2	The President closed the meeting at 7.08pm.	

Signed:
President

Date: 2023
Name: Nick Whitehead

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