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WARWICKSHIRE WILDLIFE TRUST LIMITED AGM 2023

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Rosconn Auditorium, Warwick School Campus, on Tuesday 25th June 2024, commencing at 7.15pm.

Present: 79 Members, including 8 Trustees. Beth Nicholson in the chair.

1. Apologies for Absence:

Trustees: Darren Male

Members: None

2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21st June 2023:

These minutes were taken as read and were approved by a large majority, with a small number of abstentions and no votes against.

3. To receive:

Report of Council, Statement of Accounts and Auditors' Certificate for 2023.

These had been available to members via the Trust's website and on request via email.

John McKenzie, Treasurer for the Trust, summarised the accounts, highlighting the following:

- The Trust had another good year in 2023. The Trust's main subsidiary Middlesmarch continues to deliver us gift aid at half million pounds which helps us fund our charitable work.
- Our new auditors have introduced a different approach to reporting, meaning our 2022 accounts have been restated.
- The Trust has purchased two pieces of land using funds raised by the Nature Recovery Fund. Sheep Field – next to Brandon (£785,000) & Clay Hill in Long Lawford (£680,000). These will fall into next year but is worth mentioning.
- Infrastructure improvements (including a new heating system) are in progress at Brandon, with a budgeted total cost of £500,000 which will show in next year's finances.
- In summary, we are well placed to make decisions & meet objectives.

The Annual Report, Statement of Accounts and Auditor's Certificate for 2023 were presented to the AGM and were approved by a large majority, with a small number of abstentions and no votes against.

4. To elect the following co-opted Trustees to serve for 2023 – 2026:

The following Trustees were unanimously elected to serve a 3-year term:

- Darren Male
- Neil Rawlinson
- Mark Wright

5. To elect the following new members of Council to serve for 2024 – 2027:

The following members were unanimously elected to serve a 3-year term:

- Jacqui Staunton
- Kevin Moffat
- Julie Reynolds

6. To adopt the amended Articles of Association of Warwickshire Wildlife Trust

The Amended Articles of Association were approved by a large majority, with a small number of abstentions and no votes against.

7. To elect Auditors for 2024:

Saffrey LLP were unanimously elected as the Auditors for 2024

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.20pm