

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Association of Talking Friends,
held on the 22nd April 2017 at the Priory Rooms, Birmingham**

01.17 Present Alan Johnson, Gillian Bryan, Diana Lampen, Sue Thompson, Cathy Khurana, Anne Austin.

02.17 Prevented Catherine Car, Hilary Davies, Eleanor Tew.

03.17 Matters arising from the Minutes of the AGM 2016

05.16 Kings Access have confirmed that they are able to supply small numbers of USBs. We agree to order therefore from Kings Access.

04.17 Trustees' Report 2016 The Trustees' report has been accepted and is filed. We agree to amend the wording in future under (a) in the opening section, as follows:

'The Constitution of the Association requires that there shall be no less than 3 Trustees:

(a) 'The responsibility for appointing Trustees was transferred from Dorking and Horsham Monthly Meeting to Central England Area Quaker Meeting in 2007. Trustees shall be appointed from amongst persons who are and remain Members of the Religious Society of Friends'.

05.17 Committee Members Anne agrees to continue on the Committee for one year.

06.17 Annual Accounts Gillian has presented the Annual Accounts, examined by John Bodycote. She commented that an amount of £816 has been written off against the cost of the second duplicator. We thank Gillian for her service.

07.17 YMG at Warwick There are two time slots for the Groups Fair at the Yearly Meeting Gathering at Warwick: Tuesday - time not clear and Wednesday, 7.15 – 8.30, which coincides with the Salter lecture. We agree to apply for both days, with a preference for Tuesday. Alan, Anne and Sue hope to be available for the Talking Friends stall, subject to times offered.

Brian has offered to redesign the leaflets about Talking Friends, to be displayed. There will also be some appeal leaflets to be displayed.

We agree to amend the advertisement we use in the Friend to include reference to the appeal. This will be put in the Friend 3-4 weeks after the appeal leaflet has appeared on June 15th. Anne will work on the amended advertisement.

08.17 Website redesign Brian Homer joined the meeting to talk through the redesign of the website. The new website is clear and accessible. It can be amended and new information added. Sue offered to learn to change and add material. Alan agreed to contact William Waddilove to provide the domain name so that the website can go live. We thank Brian for his work.

The date of the next Committee Meeting is 2.30pm on the 6th July.