

Wakefield & North of England Tulip Society
Minutes of the AGM held 1 October 2005 at Wrenthorpe Village Hall

1. Chairman's welcoming remarks. The Chairman Malcolm Hainsworth welcomed the more than 50 members in attendance many of who had made a long journey to be present.

2. Apologies for absence. There were approximately 35 members who had sent written apologies and further apologies were received from members present in the hall. The secretary James Akers was unable to be present because of an aunt who had been taken to hospital that morning

3. Minutes of the previous AGM. These were circulated at the meeting and after members had been given a few moments to read them were accepted by the meeting.

4. Matters Arising. None

5. Secretary's Report. This was read by the Chairman and each point discussed. It would be published in the newsletter.

6. Treasurer's Report. Copies of the Report, the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet were given to the meeting and would be printed in the newsletter. Carole had served 11 years in the post and wished to resign because of business commitments and because she felt that a change of officer might bring fresh ideas. When appointed in 1994 the assets of the Society were £1923 and were now in excess of £8000. The chairman paid tribute to her efforts over the years which was endorsed by the meeting. Keith Eyre proposed acceptance of the accounts and report which was seconded and passed unanimously.

7. Election of Officers. The Chairman thanked the Committee, Secretary and Treasurer for the support he had received.

The following were confirmed or elected.

President The Duke of Devonshire

Patron Mr V Roozen, Keith Eyre

Vice Presidents P Emmett, T Mills, J L Akers, T Clark, J Ollerenshaw, Dr A K Swift, D Hopkins, Mrs J Green, R Bingham, Mrs Anna Pavord and Mrs Wendy Akers, Mrs Anne Smales and Mrs Sarah Wainwright .

Chairman Mr M Hainsworth

Secretary Mr J L Akers

Treasurer Mrs A Turner

Editor Mrs A Turner

Auditor Mr I Fox

Committee The three retiring members, Sylvia Madden, Peter Turner and Terry Mitchell were re-elected and Carole Gude was appointed.

8. Show dates etc 2006

Harrogate 27 -30 April

RHS Tulip Competition 25 - 26 April.

Constable Burton 29 April - 1 May

Annual 13 May 2006 at Outwood Memorial Hall.

AGM 7 October.

Garden visit A possible venue would be the National collection of species tulips at Cambridge Botanical Gardens in Mid April.

Ancient Society of York Florists would hold a show to include classes for florist' tulips on 7 May 2006.

9. Any Other Business Barbara Pickering explained the background to the York show.