

THE ASSOCIATION OF JERSEY CHARITIES

(a members' association incorporated on 16 June 1995 under the provisions of the Loi (1862) sur les teneures en fidéicommiss et l'incorporation d'associations) (**Association**)

Minutes of the 53rd Annual General Meeting of the Association held in the Celestial Suite at the Royal Yacht Hotel, St Helier on Thursday 4 July 2024 at 5.30pm (**Meeting**)

1.	Welcome and apologies.
	<p>Present:</p> <p>Committee: Kevin Keen – Chairperson (KK) Sue Hamon – Treasurer (KM) Nichola Aldridge – Officer (NA) Simon Larbalestier – Officer (SL) Jill Ryan – Officer (JR) Marcus Liddiard – Officer & Chairperson of Grants Committee (ML) Jason Laity – Officer (JL) Robert Surcouf – Officer (RS)</p> <p>In attendance: Lyn Wilton - Administrative Officer (LW) Fiona Le Corre – Grants Officer (FLC)</p> <p>The Membership</p> <p>Apologies: The Chairperson welcomed the Members to the Meeting and apologies from members were noted, and a list is attached to these minutes.</p>
2.	To approve the minutes of the 52nd Annual General Meeting held on 13 July 2023 (adjourned) and those of the reconvened meeting held on 14 September 2023.
	<p>The minutes of the 52nd Annual General Meeting held on 13 July 2023 (adjourned) and those of the reconvened meeting held on 14 September 2023 were approved by the Members present unanimously.</p> <p>Proposer: Edward Trevor Seconder: Chris Renouf</p>
3.	To receive the annual report from the Chairperson
	<p>The Chairperson gave his report to the meeting, taken from the annual report.</p> <p>As in previous years a lot had been done during the year. We continue to lobby Government about further financial support for the sector and there is now an additional £1m being released to the JCF from the dormant bank accounts.</p> <p>Legacy week and the regular giving supplement continued to try and focus minds on charitable giving. The sector faced increased risks and costs and fund raising was a challenge.</p> <p>During the year the AJC put on 26 training events.</p> <p>The decision to change the subscriptions rates was not taken lightly but was necessary if the AJC was to continue to advocate and provide support across the third sector. We do wish to seek Government funding so the AJC can maintain its independence and where necessary challenge government.</p> <p>The Chairperson thanked all of the Officers for their generous time and commitment, and paid tribute to Nichola Aldridge and Simon Larbalestier, who were stepping down.</p>

	The Chairperson also thanked Members for their continued support.
4.	To receive the annual report from the Treasurer and adopt the audited accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024
	<p>The Treasurer presented the accounts and thanked David and Stefan of PKF bba for their work during the audit.</p> <p>Lottery funding and donations were down. The change in subscriptions will allow the AJC to meet its current planned expenditure.</p> <p>During the year over £1m had been awarded in grants to members.</p> <p>The anonymous donation had been used to cover funding shortfalls so that grants could still be made.</p> <p>The investment portfolio was showing improved performance.</p> <p>The accounts were adopted by the Members present unanimously.</p> <p>Proposer: David Capps Seconder: Jason Wyse</p>
5.	To consider the reappointment of PKF bba Chartered Accountants as auditors and, if reappointed, authorise the Committee to fix their remuneration.
	<p>The reappointment of PKF bba Chartered Accountants as auditors was approved by the Members present unanimously.</p> <p>Proposer: Annette Lowe Seconder: David Capps</p>
6.	Election of Officers
	<p>The Committee nominated the following candidates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Marcus Liddiard as Chairperson (ii) Robert Surcouf as Deputy Chairperson (previously an Officer) (iii) Liz Le Poidevin as Honorary Secretary (iv) Sue Hamon as Honorary Treasurer (v) Jason Laity as Officer (vi) Jill Ryan as Officer (vii) Karen Lysiak as Officer (viii) Peggy Gielen as Officer (ix) Adrian Franklin as Officer <p>There were no further nominations and the above appointments were taken enbloc and approved by the Members present unanimously</p> <p>Proposer: Edward Trevor Seconder: David Lord</p> <p>The Chairperson welcomed Karen Lysiak, Peggy Gielen and Adrian Franklin as new committee members and congratulated Marcus Liddiard on his appointment as Chairperson.</p>
7.	Any other business
	Marcus Liddiard thanked Kevin Keen for all his efforts as Chairperson and noted he would still be around supporting the AJC however he could.
	The Meeting was followed by a buffet and a chance to network.
	Signed by the Chairman: Date: