CYMDEITHAS HANES TEULUOEDD POWYS FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 8th October 2024 via Zoom meeting at 7.30pm.

The Chairman Philip Bufton opened the meeting, 24 people in attendance.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from, Angela Jones,

2. Minutes of last Annual General

The minutes of the 2023 AGM (Zoom meeting) were signed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising from Minutes

No matters arising,

4. Chairman's Report

The society committee and other officers have continued as normal, except for one late change to the Executive. Annie Owen the Montgomery Group Chair has recently tendered her resignation from the group chair role, which we have accepted reluctantly. Annie has been Chair of the Montgomeryshire Group since 2017 and has worked tirelessly to take the group through and out the other side of the Covid pandemic.

The Cronicl has been ably produced by our Editor Jenny Caines, producing a consistently impressive array of articles within the Cronicl. Again I want to thank Angela Jones, our Membership Secretary and Facebook facilitator for providing that valuable link between the membership, the society and via social media.

I would also like to give a special thanks to Ursula Griffiths, the Montgomeryshire Group Secretary for also taking on the role of National Burials Co-ordinator for Powys FHS, providing the link between Powys FHS and the Family History Federation. This has enabled the society to re-submit in excess of 50,000 burials, which are all on FindMyPast and which will soon be providing an extra income to the society.

The Monthly zoom virtual meeting will continue as it is a valuable way of connecting with our outof-county and overseas members and we have had requests that they should continue. These will continue alongside the group meetings which have now successfully re-started. Having said that I will be reducing the summer Zoom meetings when the local groups meet.

As I reported last year the Brecon library is now fully digitised and available on the Members Area of the society website.

We held another local open day in tribute to Sheila Leitch at the Glasbury village hall in August, this is planned to be repeated, but we are considering holding this in Talgarth or other local parishes. We are also going to be at the West Midlands Family History Show at the Three Counties Showground in Malvern on Saturday 15th March 2025.

My final and saddest notations are to report the deaths of Marion Wilkinson, someone whose name you might not automatically know first hand. Never the less, she was a stalwart of this society for many years, someone who however worked tirelessly in the background for the benefit of the society and its members.

If you have looked at or made use of such parishes of Hay, Llanyre or Talgarth to name just three of the many parishes within Powys, then Marion did many of these transcriptions. She has left an indelible mark.

Someone else who has left their mark is Annie Owen who I reported that Annie Owen had resigned from the executive just a few short weeks ago, we have to report Annie has also died within the last week. We express our thanks and condolences to both families.

5. Treasurer's Report

The treasurer submitted the accounts for the year to the Web Site all members can access these. The Society is in a healthy financial position with bank balances of £16800.61. A decrease of £108.93 during the last year. Income has Decreased by £100.93 Expenditure has decreased by £718.49. Malcolm Jones Treasurer - Powys FHS. Editor asked if there was any change in the cost of Cronicl, Treasurer replied cost have slightly decreased.

6. Editors report

It has been quiet this year until recently, when a flurry of articles arrived, or in some cases, promises of articles.

For anyone who wonders how an article should be best presented, the details, such as length and format, are on the Powys website under the 'Cronicl' tab.

I'm always happy to receive snippets for want of a better word. Fillers are invaluable, and some really interesting ones pop up in parish records from time to time.

I look forward to hearing from you.

7. Appointment / Confirmation of Officers

President Vacant Vice President: Post Vacant

Chairman Philip Bufton Membership Secretary Angela Jones Treasurer Malcolm Jones Jenny Caines Editor Barbara Lloyd Projects Co-ordinator Strays Co-ordinator Heather Bufton Members Interest Secretary David Morgan **NBI** Co-ordinator Ursula Griffiths Minute Secretary Martin Jones Web Master Philip Bufton

The Chairman suggested that all officers listed above were elected en-bloc,

Proposed – Marie Sweeney. Seconded – Alison Skipper

9. Confirmation of Vice Chairman / Group Chairmen

Brecon, Catherine Phillips-Davies. Montgomery, Vacant. Radnor, Mr Keith Williams.

Confirmation of Group Officers

Brecon Sec / Jonathon Philips-Davies Lib / Vacant
Montgomery Sec / Ursula Griffiths Lib / Ann Trow
Radnor Sec / Barbara Gayther Lib / Jennifer Lewis

10. Confirmation of Representatives of other bodie7

Beryl Evans, NLW. Catherine Richards, Powys Archives.

11. AOB

No other business was raised

12. Date and Venue of 2024 AGM will be 7th October 2025 at 7.30pm via Zoom.