# WIGTOWN FESTIVAL COMPANY 11 North Main Street Wigtown DG8 9HN



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Minutes of the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** held at The Print Room, Number 11 North Main Street, Wigtown on Thursday, 6 February 2020

#### IN ATTENDANCE

**Trustees:** Marjorie Lotfi Gill (Chair), Finn McCreath (Vice Chair), Anne Brown, Joyce Cochrane, Philippa Cochrane, Roger Davis, Edward Hocknell, Simon Leslie, George Moore, Sandra McDowall, Sarah Nyland, Catriona Wilson and Nicola Wood.

**Members:** Malcolm and Nicole Court . **Staff:** Adrian Turpin, Anne Barclay, Claire Nash. **Other:** Graham Reid, Creative Scotland; Jak Kane, Minute Secretary

APOLOGIES: Beth Cochrane, Mike Smith and Nick Walker.

#### **1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

Marjorie welcomed everyone to the Festival Company's AGM with particular note to members, Malcolm and Nicole and Graham Reid from Creative Scotland. Apologies had been received from Mike Smith, Nick Walker and Beth Cochrane.

#### 2 MINUTES OF LAST AGM

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 8 November 2018 had been circulated and it was agreed that they were a correct record of that meeting.

#### 3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (APRIL 2018-MARCH 2019)

A copy of the Chairman's Report outlining the achievements of the year to 31 March 2019 had also been circulated prior to the meeting and it was presented to the meeting by Marjorie Lotfi Gill. Marjorie thanked Treasurer George Moore for steering the Company through another year as well as the wider Board for their commitment and support. She also thanked the staff and volunteers for their hard work, commitment and determination in delivering the annual Book Festival and everyone who supported the work of the charity, which aspires to make Dumfries & Galloway a better place to be a reader and a writer – a place where literature changes lives.

## RESOLUTIONS

## 4 TO APPROVE THE AUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE COMPANY FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2019

A copy of the Financial statements for the year to 31 March 2019, independently examined by Roderick Williamson of Carson & Trotter, had been circulated prior to the meeting and were approved unanimously by the members.

## **5 ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

The following directors had resigned since the last AGM: Mary Nicholson, Ruth Anderson, Joyce Cochrane, Christian Ribbens and George Moore.

The appointment of four new directors was confirmed: Sarah Nyland, Roger Davis, Nicholas Walker and Nicola Wood.

Four of the serving Trustees were required to retire by rotation: Anne brown, Simon Leslie, Mike Smith and Catriona Wilson. They had all confirmed that they were willing to stand for re-election and their reappointment was approved unanimously by those present.

## **5 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

The appointment of Carson & Trotter Chartered Accountants, Castle Douglas as the auditors of the Company was confirmed

#### 7 DATE OF NEXT AGM

The next Annual General Meeting would be convened in February 2021.