

MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE DURRELL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST

Held at the Celestial Hall, the Royal Yacht, Jersey on Wednesday 11 September 2019

PRESENT

Philip Callow (Chairman)
Lesley Dickie (Chief Executive Officer)
Lee Durrell (Honorary Director)
Kerry Lawrence (Honorary Secretary)
Mary Curtis (Trustee)
Gary Clarke (Trustee)
Simon Tonge (Trustee)
Rosie Trevelyan (Trustee)
Sarah Ward (Trustee)

IN ATTENDANCE

74 Members.

Philip Callow chaired the meeting.

The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending this AGM, the 55th of the Trust.

Apologies were received from:

Trust members: Christopher & Fran Marriott, Umesh Sahai, Richard & Susie Robins, Sandra Benson, Dr Pat Morris, An Lachat-Harmsen, Elise Dias, Philip Taylor, Audrey Boissonneault, Patricia Read, Anne Binney, Diana Mulholland, Jennifer Jones, M Holland Prior, Tony Allchurch, Antony McCammon, Jill Amy, Cristofol Jorda Sanuy, Janet Motto and Julian Weisman.

The Chairman explained the format of the AGM; talks from the Chairman; the AGM formal business; questions from the audience; a break with refreshments provided; followed by talks from Alexandra Shears and Mark Brayshaw.

The Chairman welcomed and thanked the Board members, and spoke about some of the key achievements of 2018, including animal births at the zoo, an increase in visitor numbers, a new butterfly house and lemur walkway, the release of six pygmy hogs and 21 Madagascar pochards into the wild, and many other achievements. He looked ahead to 2019 and highlighted some of the great things already happening at the zoo and internationally.

1. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE 54TH AGM

The Minutes of the fifty-fourth AGM held on the 11 September 2018 was proposed by Kerry Lawrence, seconded by Mary Curtis, and unanimously approved.

2. A RESOLUTION TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Annual Report was proposed by Rosie Trevelyan, seconded by Kerry Lawrence, and unanimously approved.

3. A RESOLUTION TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE ACCOUNTS FOR 2018

The adoption of the Accounts for 2018 was proposed by Gary Clarke, seconded by Simon Tonge and unanimously approved.

4. A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF TRUSTEES

The Chairman accepted the resignation of Nick Winsor and included his own resignation too.

5. A RESOLUTION TO ANNOUNCE THE ELECTION BY MEMBERS OF TRUSTEES

The Chairman advised that the election via ballot had resulted in the formal election of Robert Kirkby and Gerald Voisin.

Addendum: Members will recall that the ballot paper also listed that trustees, Drs Simon Dickson and Simon Tonge, having reached the end of their first term were proposed for re-election for a second term. Whilst the Chairman omitted to announce the result of the ballot concerning Drs Dickson and Tonge during the course of the meeting, it is confirmed in these minutes that the result of the ballot was that they had been re-elected.

6. A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT AUDITORS AND AUTHORISE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO AGREE THEIR REMUNERATION

The reappointment of Grant Thornton as auditors and authority for the Board to agree their remuneration was proposed by Simon Tonge, seconded by Gary Clarke, and unanimously approved.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman gave the opportunity to the audience to ask questions.

Kerry Lawrence thanked the Chairman for services to the Board and the Trust, and also thanked Nick Winsor for his contribution too.

The Chairman formally closed the meeting at 18:45. He advised that refreshments would be served ahead of the talks from Alexandra Shears about Go Wild Gorillas, and Mark Brayshaw about International Breeding Programmes.

PHILLIP CALLOW - CHAIR

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