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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 48th Annual General Meeting of the Institution of Environmental Sciences (IES) will be held online at 12.30pm BST on Tuesday 20th July 2021 to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions which will be proposed as ordinary or special resolutions as indicated below. The AGM will last approximately an hour.

Ordinary Resolutions

- 1. To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 15th July 2020
- 2. To receive and adopt the 2020 Annual Report
- 3. To receive and adopt the accounts for the year ending 30th June 2020
- 4. To authorise the Council to appoint accountants for the fiscal year ending 30th June 2021

Elections

5. To elect members of Council (Articles 26-30) Julie Hill

Voting is online through the Members' Area of the IES website and opens on 30th March.

Adam Donnan CEO [By Order of the Board] March 2021

Relevant Documents

(a) Minutes of 47th Annual General Meeting (p.2)

- (b) 2020 Annual report (available at https://www.the-ies.org/resources/annual-report-2020)
- (c) 2019-20 Accounts (available at www.the-ies.org/sites/default/files/documents/ies_accounts_2019-20.pdf)
- (d) Council nomination form (available at <u>www.the-ies.org/sites/default/files/documents/council nomination form.docx</u>)
- (e) Biographies of members standing for election (available soon)

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Minutes of the AGM held at 1pm, 15th July 2020, Online Zoom Meeting

Adam Donnan (AD) highlighted that this AGM had been rescheduled from its original April date due to the impact of Covid-19. The disadvantage of holding the event so late in the year was that we are reflecting on the calendar year 2019 and the accounting period July 2018 - June 2019, which was now some time ago. Therefore, the speakers would also be reflecting on the first half of 2020.

Gary Kass (GK), the IES Chair, reflected on a challenging year with the UK exiting the European Union and the Covid-19 pandemic. AD went through some slides capturing highlights of 2019, including information on our reports, journals and events. The full text of GK's speech and the slides can be found in the <u>annual report</u>.

Ian Byrne (IB), the IES Treasurer, gave a review of the 2018-19 accounts. He highlighted that it was a strong financial period, with income growing 14%. The full accounts can be found <u>here</u>. He outlined that the IES was in good shape to weather the pandemic.

AD reviewed the work of the IES to help members through the pandemic and looked forward to the rest of the year. A summary of his speech can be found in the <u>annual report</u>. In answer to questions from attendees he outlined the forthcoming journals and the planned actions in the run up to COP26.

The meeting moved onto the resolutions. Voting took place entirely through the Members' Area of the website.

1. To approve the minutes of the AGM held on 17th April 2019

Proposed Jackie Rogers, Seconded Julie Hill | 34 votes for, 3 abstentions, 0 against | Minutes approved.

2. To adopt the audited accounts for the year ending 30th June 2019

Proposed Iain Hossack, Seconded Julie Hill | 36 votes, 1 abstention, 0 against | Accounts adopted by the AGM.

4. To authorise the Council to appoint Accountants for the year ending 30th June 2020

Proposed Julie Hill, Seconded Iain Hossack | 36 votes for, 0 abstentions, 0 against | Council authorised to appoint accountants.

5. To elect members of Council (Articles 26-30)

Two new Council members were elected: Christine McHugh (35 votes) and Liz Price (31 votes) One Council member was re-elected: Jackie Rogers (34 votes)

Rhianna Jarvis outlined the plans for events over the coming months. In response to a question AD and Carolyn Roberts highlighted the provision of Chartership workshops online.

The AGM concluded at 13:51.