



Notes of the Cornwall Faith Forum Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 25th October 2022 at 7.00 pm at Epiphany House, Kenwyn, Truro.

Present in person: Andrew Yates (AY) Chair, Kathy Pope (KP), Malcolm Bowers (MB), Paul Green (PG), Eve Salthouse (ES), Rita Stephen (RS), Gemma Tracey (GT), Philomena Clifford (PC) and Dureid Rifai (DR) Rosey Sanders (RSa) notes.

Present online: Heather Stanton (HS), Qudisia Ward (QW), Jeremy Jacobson (JJ), Muna Ahmad (MA), Peter Long (PL), Iqbal Warsi (IW).

Apologies: Paul Haines, Bishop Philip Mounstephen, Nesrine Poonawala, Anne Redelinghuys.

1. **Notes of AGM held on 30th November 2021 were approved (viewable on website).** These were approved as an accurate recording of the AGM.
2. **Presentation of the accounts for the year 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022 (viewable on website).**

All present thanks MB for all his hard work as CFF Treasurer and for preparing these accounts. Also thank you to Barbara Russett for auditing the accounts and for making no charge. MB outlined the accounts. He thanked RS for obtaining granting funding for some of her work. The accounts were formally approved at the meeting and were proposed by DR and seconded by PG.

AY suggested that future AGMs should be held closer to the end of March in the future as this is when the year end finishes. Also MB is hoping to retire as treasurer next year. If anyone would like to take on this role, or know of someone who would be willing to assist, it would be greatly appreciated. Please see AY regarding this role.

3. **Election of Members to Executive**

The results 2022 election of the twenty voting members (aka the Executive) (below), remained unchanged at this AGM for 2021. Therefore the twenty voting members for 2021 are:

Hindu Faith

Paul Green; Vacancy

Pagan Faith

Eve Salthouse; Janet Ensor

Bahai Faith

Philomena Clifford; Diana Profaska

Islamic Faith

Naeem Ahmad; Dureid Rifai

Jewish Faith

Jeremy Jacobson; Vacancy

Buddhist Faith

Sophie Muir; Vacancy

Christian Faith

Bishop Philip Mounstephen; Kathy Pope

Voting Members (6 places):

Andrew Yates, Babs Rounsevell, Paul Haines, Qudsia Ward, 2 Vacancies.

AY stated that if anyone present would like to stand as a voting member, or knew of anyone who would like to fulfil this role, to let him know.

4. Election to the Board of Trustees

The named individuals below were all re-elected to the Board of Trustees:

Andrew Yates, Eve Salthouse, Duried Rifai, Philomena Clifford, Kathy Pope, Babs Rounsevell (all re-elected)

5. Review of 2021:

Learning for Peace

This time tomorrow – RS explained that this project involves young people of faith in Cornwall whereby RS holds video interviews with them regarding the relationship of their faith and their daily life, as well what it is like to grow up in Cornwall as a young person of faith. RS advised that she is hoping to set up a partnership with CHAOS TV who can undertake interviews with a group (possibly at Penmount).

Cornish Stories for Survival – RS showed two of the animations based on Cynthia's story made by the students of the University. RS explained that following the Teacher's Conference in July 2022, the lesson plans are being piloted in a number of secondary schools. The project is unique in that the story is of Cynthia (regarding her mother who survived the Holocaust) who is based in Cornwall, and that the resources are for both RE and History teachers. It is hoped that there will be another Conference in 2023 and that funding from the Association of Jewish Refugees is being sought for this.

Future work – The Crocus Project. RS is working with Mousehole primary school with this project. Each crocus flower, a yellow star, represents the 1.5 million Jewish children who died in the Holocaust.

Building for Peace

PG explained that our current lease at Penmount was due to finish, and following positive conversations with Councillor Martin Alvey and Susan Cannon that a proposal was put forward to the Bereavement Committee which was approved and which would give us an extra two years on the lease. This is in 3 phases:

- (1) Replace the existing wooden posts with smart new recycled plastic posts representing our faiths and our partners.
- (2) The posts will be replaced with an oval wooden structure with a covering of some nature.
- (3) The timber framework from Phase 2 would be used to develop the final Dor Kemmyn Oval, with the walls being constructed with cob bricks, made by community, faith and other groups and organisations.

View Dor Kemmyn [website](#) for more detailed information on the phases.

It was noted that there will be a need to re-instate the notice board at the field to explain the oval shape and faith poles.

All thanked PG with progressing with the building project and for this positive news.

Sharing for Peace

Events held this year to date:

Palm Sunday prayers

Diversi-tea

Autumn Equinox

Tree planting

It was noted that Interfaith Week was coming up shortly and that ideas on how to promote this were welcomed.

6. Any other business

- KP has white poppies available.
- GT gave an update on faith matters at the University and she advised that a Prayer Room has opened up on the Campus.

(January 2022/RS)