



Notes of the Cornwall Faith Forum Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 25th July 2023 at 7.00 pm at All Saints Highertown Church Hall, Truro.

Present in person: Andrew Yates (AY) Chair, Paul Green (PG), Rita (RS), John, Zoe and Louis Stephen, Loic Rich (LR), Dureid Rifai (DR), Olfat Rifai (OR), Gemma Tracey (GT), Carolyn Shaprio (CS), Gaynor Drew (GD), Philomena Clifford (PC), Kathy Pope (KP), Malcolm Bowers (MB).

Apologies: Paul Haines, Jeremy Jacobson (JJ), Geoff Watson (GW).

1. **Notes of AGM held on 25th October 2022 were approved (viewable on website).** These were approved as an accurate recording of the AGM. Proposed by DR and seconded by all.
2. **Presentation of the examined accounts for the year 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023 (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. It was noted that the Education Fund was shown in the red at £601.00 but this has now gone up to £1,000 (in the black) after 'borrowing' from the DK building fund. MB advised that the new CFF Education Officer does not commence the role until September 2023 thus saving the finances a month's salary.

3. **Election of Members to Executive**

The results 2023 election of the twenty voting members (aka the Executive) are set out below. Therefore the twenty voting members for 2023 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

Vacancy (owing to Bishop Philip Mounstephen leaving the Diocese); Kathy Pope

Voting Members (6 places):

Andrew Yates, Babs Rounsevell, Paul Haines, Qudsia Ward, Rita Stephen (appointment), 1 vacancy**

* CS was put forward as a nomination. CS to liaise with JJ and Jewish Faith Community and come back to AY. ** GT was nominated and will again come back to AY.

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 2022/23:**

Those present went into small groups to recall CFF activities and events of 2022

Learning for Peace

An online workshop for 1,000 children (16-17 year old boys) in conjunction with Truro College.

Stories of Survival Teachers' Conference at Penryn CUC.

Holocaust Memorial Day Service in Truro Cathedral with a moving address by the acting Dean.

Crocus Project with Mousehole School.

Building for Peace

PG gave an update regarding the building project. The lease on the DK field had been extended. There will now be a phased approach to the building, see website: <https://dorkemmyn.org.uk/the-building/> Phase 1 has now been completed with the new faith poles in situ. There was an excellent ceremony combined with the Baha'i event of the 'Declaration and Martyrdom of the Bab' held in July. We will now commence onto Phase 2 with a covered structure. PG hoped that this structure would be made of Cornish timber with the option to turn this into Phase 3. Thanks were given to Jeremy Waters at Mid Cornwall Printing for all his assistance with the printing of the text for the poles. Also thanks given to Councillor Mould who attended the installation. Finally thanks to PG who has been working on this project. AY advised that the CFF Trustees will be looking into the options for moving the building on shortly.

Sharing for Peace

Advent Spiral

Diversi-tea

Equinox Event

Eid, including games for the children with a parachute.

Palm Sunday and walk through the Penmount grounds on a very cold afternoon.

Tree planting – Hindu Tree and the Hawthorn Tree for the Christian Faith.

6. **Any other business**

- KP gave a presentation on the Bloom Review. See attached presentation.
- Everyone was asked their opinion as to what should be added to the noticeboard at Penmount with regard to the Faith and Partner Poles.
- Thanks and farewells were given to RS who is sadly leaving the IFD role.