Minutes of the 16th PLACE Annual General Meeting, held at 2.00pm on Saturday 15th May 2021

The meeting was held virtually because of covid 19 restrictions on gatherings. To facilitate the meeting, all questions and comments were to be sent to the Chairman before the meeting. There were no such comments or questions. All voting was done by proxy through the Chair.

1 Welcome and apologies. The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

Present: Aileen Bloomer (Chair), Margaret Atherden, Joe Bailey, Linda Blenkinship, Liz Brown, Norman Brown, Ruth Davies, Clive Dawson, Jean Dixon, Simon Green, David Hawtin, Michael Hopkinson, Katy Hockridge, Richard Mallows, Philip Mander, Hilary Moxon, Margaret Scott, George Sheeran, Colin Speakman, Veronica Wallace, Elaine Wisdom, Eileen Wishart. **In attendance:** Sue Campagna.

Apologies were received from: Chris Adams, Chris Aiken, Nicola Aiken, Angela Clark, Elizabeth Durham, Ken Gill, Anthony Hammersley, Margaret Hammersley, Christine Hardaker, Barbara Hickman, Andy Howard, Denny Mallows, Kay Murphy, Nancy Stedman, Sylvia Voisk, Brian Walker, Irene Walton, David Wharton Street, Eileen White, Irene Young, Stan Young.

- 2 Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the 15th AGM, held in Hull in 2019, were accepted on behalf of the members by the Board of Trustees. There was no AGM in 2020 because of the covid19 regulations.
- 3 2020 Annual Report no substantive comments had been received by the Chair.
- 4 Adoption of the Annual Report 2020 adopted by all votes cast.
- **5** Presentation of the Accounts 2020 no substantive comments were received by the Chair.
- 6 Adoption of 2020 Accounts adopted by all votes cast.
- 7 To appoint Sue Campagna as accountant for 2021 the appointment was supported by all votes cast.
- 8 Election of Trustees
 - a) Brian Walker retires by rotation and does not seek re-election. Aileen Bloomer and Hilary Moxon are standing down and do not seek re-election. The Chair expressed thanks to all the Trustees, whether retiring, standing down or continuing to serve on the Board, for their work during 2020, which has not been an easy year for anybody. Sylvia Voisk specifically asked the Chair to ensure that thanks were offered to her, the Chair, for her service in that role. The Chair also thanked the PLACE CEO, Margaret Atherden, without whose commitment, determination and persistence PLACE events simply would not have happened, especially in 2020 with all its complications.
 - b) The following Trustees retire by rotation and seek re-election:
 - i) Linda Blenkinship (proposed by Lesley Boot, seconded by Philip Mander) was elected with 36 votes and 1 abstention. No votes against.
 - ii) David Hawtin (proposed by Lesley Boot, seconded by Aileen Bloomer) was elected with 37 votes (no votes against; no abstentions).
 - c) The following member of PLACE seeks election to the Board of Trustees
 - i) Joseph Bailey (proposed by Pauline Couper; seconded by Aileen Bloomer) was elected by 37 votes (no votes against, 1 abstention).
 - d) Laura Eddey had indicated an intention to seek election to the Board but had to withdraw for personal reasons before the AGM.
- 9 Any Other Business
 - a. Forthcoming PLACE events in 2021- depending on the easing of the covid19 regulations.
 - b. New PLACE website will be uploaded shortly.
 - c. George Sheeran expressed thanks to the retiring Chairman for her work with PLACE.
- Date & Venue of next AGM May 2022 with the venue to be confirmed.

The meeting ended at 14.20.

Hilary Moxon.