



# Federation of Astronomical Societies Annual General Meeting 2014 Minutes

Held at the University of Birmingham on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> October 2014

1) **Apologies for absence** were received from: Shaun O'Dell, Sean Elvidge, and Tony Questa.

2) **The minutes of the 2103 AGM** were circulated and unanimously approved

3) **Matters arising.** There were no items arising from the 2013 AGM.

4) **Officers reports.**

A brief account of the year's activities was given with yet another plea for candidates to consider serving on Council.

Peter Cooke (treasurer) went through the years financial accounts (which had been previously circulated). There were no questions from the floor.

5) **Appointment of Auditor.** Peter Cooke to ask previous auditor to continue.

6) **Subscriptions** for 2015/2016 were set at the same rates as last year, i.e.

- Small Society                      £28.50
- Medium Society                    £45.50
- Large Society                      £57.00

Question from the floor re society size band limits: these are on our website under membership.

7) **Elections for Council.** There being no new nominations, the council was re-elected.

## Election of Officers

The following nominations were made by Council and no further nominations were forthcoming:

President	Vacant
Secretary	Shaun O'Dell
Treasurer	Peter Cooke
Membership Secretary	Mike Pritchard
PLI Officer	Tony Questa
Newsletter Editor & Publications and Handbook Editor	Frank Johns
Publications Distribution	Adrian Roach
Website Co-ordinator and Convention Organiser	Sean Elvidge
Council Member	Graham Bryant

#### **8) Any Other Business:**

Graham Bryant (council member with responsibility for Child Protection matters) asked of the meeting “did any society have any problems in getting member CRB checks completed?” There were no reported problems from the meeting.

Question from the floor: are CRB checks carried at a member’s place of work acceptable? Graham assured the meeting that is acceptable as there is no time limit as to longevity of the check.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 14:30