

THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR SHOOTING & CONSERVATION

CONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT RENAISSANCE SOLIHULL HOTEL, BIRMINGHAM ON SATURDAY 9TH JUNE, 2007

Present:

Lord Home, President
Robert Irvine, Chairman
Michael Alldis
Jan Andrews
Eric Begbie
Simon Breasley
Walter Cole
Robert Crofts
Paul Culley
Carl Eriksson
Lee Freeston
Duncan Greaves
Peter Pursglove
Mike Sherman
Ray Walters

Ex-Officio Members

John Swift
Philippa Bursey
Glynn Cook
Christopher Graffius
Simon Hamlyn
Vivienne Jasper
Colin Shedden

Chief Executive
Director of Business Management
Director, Wales
Director of Communications
Director of Operations
IPS Secretary
Director, Scotland

Secretary:

Amanda Forshaw

Minute Secretary

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Andy Macfarlane, Roger Pollen, John Thornley and Tom Wylie.

2. Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Election of Chairman

Robert Irvine was declared elected as Chairman of the British Association for Shooting and Conservation.

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4. Election of Vice-Chairman

There were two nominations:-

Ray Walters and Jan Andrews.

Both candidates confirmed that they were willing to stand for election. The election process was carried out in accordance with the agreed procedure.

The results of the ballot were that each candidate received 7 votes and there was 1 abstention.

It was agreed that an alternative ballot of all elected members be arranged at the earliest opportunity, with a return date and time set for 5.00 p.m. on Friday 15th June.

5. Election of Chairman of the Executive & Finance Committee

Eric Begbie was elected as Chairman of the Executive & Finance Committee.

6. Election of Chairmen of Advisory Committees

6.1 Conservation & Land Management Advisory Committee

Ray Walters was re-elected as Chairman of the Conservation & Land Management Advisory Committee.

6.2 Deer Advisory Committee

Peter Pursglove was re-elected as Chairman of the Deer Advisory Committee.

6.3. Firearms and Air Weapons Advisory Committee

Carl Eriksson was elected as Chairman of the Firearms and Air Weapons Advisory Committee.

6.4. Gamekeepers Advisory Committee

Walter Cole was re-elected as Chairman of the Gamekeepers Advisory Committee.

6.5. Game Shooting Advisory Committee

Michael Alldis was re-elected as Chairman of the Gameshooting Advisory Committee.

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6.6. Gundog Advisory Committee

Jan Andrews was re-elected as Chairman of the Gundog Advisory Committee.

6.7. Northern Ireland Committee

Robert Irvine was re-elected as Chairman of the Northern Ireland Committee.

6.8. Research Advisory Committee

Andy Macfarlane was re-elected as Chairman of the Research Advisory Committee.

6.9. Scottish Committee

Andy Macfarlane was re-elected as Chairman of the Scottish Committee.

6.10 Shooting Standards Advisory Committee

Duncan Greaves was re-elected as Chairman of the Shooting Standards Advisory Committee.

6.11 Welsh Committee

Mike Sherman was elected as Chairman of the Welsh Committee.

6.12. Wildfowling Liaison Committee

Lee Freeston was re-elected as Chairman of the Wildfowling Liaison Committee.

7. Any other business

7.1. Interim Update on Proposed Communications Centre

Council was informed that various ecological surveys were in progress. They were nearing completion and nothing untoward has been found to preclude the submission of an application for planning consent.

A meeting was scheduled to take place on Monday 11th June, 2007, between the architect and the tree expert from Wrexham County Borough Council, and provided no problems were identified the planning application will be submitted.

- 7.2 Council Members were reminded to respond to their invitations to the Barbecue and Clay Shoot on the evening of Wednesday 18th July, 2007, to assist with catering and line requirements.

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- 7.3 It was noted that those representing field sports sometimes attract attention from people who are not necessarily mindful of the law. Council members were reminded that if they ever feel that they are receiving unwanted attention they should (a) ensure that they report the matter to the Police, and (b) report the matter in confidence to the Chief Executive, as it is important to be able to monitor any developing patterns.

8. Date of next meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting of Council will take place on Thursday 19th July, 2007.

This will be preceded by a meeting of elected Council members only at 9.00 am.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 12.40 pm.

Signed.....Date.....

Chairman