



**The Lymington Society**  
**Annual General Meeting 7.30 pm on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2014.**  
**Agenda**

**Introduction and Welcome,** Lt. Col. Peter Chitty, President.

**Apologies.**  
**Minutes of the 2013 AGM.** Dr. Ivor Johnston, Hon. Secretary.

**Chairman's Address.** Clive Sutton, Chairman.

**Treasurer's Report.** Derek Sheffer, Honorary Treasurer.

**Social Secretary's Report.** Dr Mackenzie, Social Secretary.

**Nominations for, and Election of, members of the Executive Committee.**

Present committee members who are prepared to continue and are standing for re-election are:

Clive Sutton, Derek Sheffer, Ivor Johnston, Tim Kermode, Nic King, Mark Lanigan, Donald Mackenzie, Nigel Seth-Smith.

Talk by Peter Stone:

**The Walhampton Monument Restoration Project.**

Address by David Rule and Mark Tomlinson:

**The St. Barbe Museum Restoration**  
**&**  
**The Heritage Lottery Fund Application.**

**Minutes of The Lymington Society Annual General Meeting 2014**

40 members were welcomed with a glass of wine to the AGM on 24th March 2014.

Lt. Col. Chitty welcomed members and Mr Sutton welcomed the Mayor, Cllr. Anna Rostand and Cllr. Elizabeth Lewis.

Apologies were received from members Rosie Gaskell , Nigel Lang &

The minutes of the 2013 AGM had been circulated by newsletter and on the website.

Approval was proposed by Elizabeth Lewis, seconded by Pam Keen and accepted.

Mr. Sutton gave the Chairman's Address (to be published in the newsletter and on the website). He described a year without large controversial issues and listed the specialised contributions of committee members. He announced Dr. Johnston's resignation as Hon. Secretary and presented him with a copy of Jude James new book signed by the committee.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Mr. Sheffer, who reported a satisfactory financial situation in spite of falling membership. Steven Montague-Jones and Janet Irving suggested that more publicity was needed to recruit new members. More use of the local paper was suggested.

Dr Mackenzie gave an account of the successful social programme and outlined the calendar for the coming year.

The nominations for the Executive Committee followed.

The current members of the Executive Committee were proposed by Tom Russell and seconded by Jenny Sutton and re-elected en bloc.

Peter Stone presented proposals for the commemoration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sir Harry Burrard Neal's birth. This includes the restoration of the Walhampton Monument. He stressed the need for community involvement to support an application to the Heritage Lottery Fund. The Lymington Society is represented on this steering group.

David Rule gave an account of the successful application by the St. Barbe Museum to the H.L.F. and stressed the need to employ a consultant.

Mark Tomlinson outlined plans for the development and the refurbishment of the museum. He presented drawings of the proposed new museum frontage, echoing the wavy walls characteristic of Lymington and making it more visible from the High Street. Comments expressed by members were generally favourable.

Mr. Sutton thanked all the speakers. He raised the question of the Lymington Society making a financial contribution towards the H.L.F. application for the restoration of the Walhampton Monument. John Beaumont offered a personal contribution of £100. £1,000 was suggested by one member as a suitable donation from the Society's reserves.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.