

## Gloucester Area Annual General Meeting

### Minutes of AGM

Tues 18 Apr 2017      1900 – 1930

Venue:            Safran Restaurant Meeting Room, Staverton

<p><b><u>Attendees</u></b></p> <p>Helen Rich Matthew Sexton</p> <p>Peter Rayner Ee-Jane Low Narmeen Rehman Steven Stapleton</p> <p><b><u>Apologies</u></b></p> <p>John Logue John Clarke Joy Tao Max Gough Pippa Stockdale Ross Burton James Meredith</p>	<p>Area Chair Immediate Past Chair</p> <p>Committee Members</p> <p>Area Treasurer Area Secretary Vice Chair</p>
Agenda Item	Action
<p><b>1) <u>Chairman's Welcome</u></b></p> <p>The Chair, Helen Rich welcomed regular and new attendees, and thanked those present for their attendance. She shared the apologies from those received.</p>	
<p><b>2) <u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u></b></p> <p>Minutes of the 2016 AGM were accepted without comment.</p> <p><b>2.1) Matters arising from minutes</b></p> <p>None</p>	
<p><b>3) <u>Chairman's Report</u></b></p> <p>Helen Rich presented her report for the year.</p>	

<p><b>4) <u>Treasurer's Report</u></b></p> <p>John Logue tbd</p>	
<p><b>5) <u>Secretary's Report</u></b></p> <p>John Clarke tbd</p>	
<p><b>6) <u>Committee Elections</u></b></p> <p><b>6.1) Updates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Joy Tao – Vice Chair...wishes to continue? tbd</li> <li>- John Clarke – Secretary ... wishes to stand down. Steven Stapleton interim Secretary.</li> <li>- Matthew Sexton wishes to resign from the committee. I would like to extend our thanks for his many years of service and wish him every success with his retirement venture.</li> </ul> <p><b>6.2) Proposals / Nominations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Webmaster (NearYou updates primarily) Peter Rayner - approved</li> <li>- Mediamaster (Social Media) Narmeen Rehman - approved</li> </ul>	
<p><b>7) <u>Any other business</u></b></p> <p>The Committee accepted Jim Quinn's self-nomination to re-join the Area Committee and he was seconded and elected promptly. Welcome Jim.</p> <p><b>The cttee welcomed Jim Quinn to the cttee (bjaq143@gmail.com)</b>  <b>PR to link Twitter feed to NearYou page</b>  <b>HR to share her notes with AGM minutes</b>  <b>PR to delete Max from cttee</b></p>	
<p><b><u>Chairman's Endorsement of Minutes</u></b></p> <p>(To be completed at next meeting following review)  I endorse these minutes on behalf of the Western Region as a true and accurate record of the meeting.</p> <p>Signed.....</p> <p>Print.....</p>	

Date.....

## **Chairman's Report**

### **1.0 Introduction**

This has been my first year as Chair of Gloucester Area and it has come with some new and interesting challenges. The Institution has migrated to Google Tools as its main communications tool and this has proved somewhat awkward given my general lack of "IT nous". Nevertheless, the Committee Members have rallied to provide an engaging programme of lectures for which I owe my thanks.

### **2.0 Votes of Thanks**

On the which subject, I would like to extend my gratitude to:

- Peter Rayner for his help in getting to grips with some of the IT systems and for taking ownership of the NearYou site
- Stephen Stapleton for stepping in as interim Honourary Secretary
- John Logue for continuing as Honourary Treasurer
- Matthew Sexton, immediate past chair who would like to step down from the Committee
- EeJane Low and Narmeen Rehman for support and enthusiasm above and beyond
  
- Safran Landing Systems and EDF Energy for their continued support in providing venues and other assistance

### **3.0 Gloucester Area Committee**

I have received no requests from potential volunteers. The Committee retains a broad spread of experience and diversity.

An extension to Gloucester through the Region is Rani Amali, Western Region Education Officer.

### **3.1 Membership**

Ee-Jane Low	Joy Tao – Vice Chair	Steven Stapleton
Helen Rich - Chairman	Max Gough	
James Meredith	Narmeen Rehman	
John Clarke	Peter Rayner	
John Logue –Treasurer	Ross Burton	

### **4.0 Highlights**

EeJane's role as Co-Chair of EDF's young professionals network has proved a useful link into a wider audience and offering of activities, thank you EeJane for sharing your resources with the Area.

Thank you to Matthew Sexton for again judging for the Cotswold Life Engineering, Manufacturing and Innovation Awards. I attended a lively dinner at Cheltenham Racecourse in November 2016 in Matthew's place.

### **5.0 Programme**

Title	Date	NearYou Numbers	Theme
Combined Cycle Gas Turbines in Today's Electricity Market	13 Apr, 2016	35	Energy
UK Nuclear Emergency Planning – What's in	11 May, 2016	84	Energy /

place and how have past accidents influenced our approach?			Environment
Visit to Godwin Pumps	14 Jun, 2016	13	
Great Western Electrification Traction System Design - A Modern Integrated Approach	17 Nov, 2016	37	Transport
Prospect of Fusion Energy	07 Dec, 2016		Energy
Getting Chartered in Nuclear	18 Jan, 2017		
Rise of the Drones	21 Mar, 2017	55	
Small Modular Reactors - Nuclear Energy's Future?	05 Apr, 2017	97	Energy
Driverless Cars	17 May, 2017		Transport

## 5.1 Themes




**Education >**  
Inspiring, preparing and supporting tomorrow's engineers, and raising the profile of engineering and engineering careers.



**Healthcare >**  
Promoting health, fitness and wellbeing in a growing and ageing population through technology and engineering.



**Environment >**  
Promoting economic growth while mitigating and adapting to climate change and the depletion of natural resources.



**Transport >**  
Promoting safe, efficient, integrated transport systems with minimal congestion and reduced emissions.



**Manufacturing >**  
Supporting the engineers, encouraging new technology and boosting the supply chain to contribute to a prosperous and growing manufacturing sector.



**Energy >**  
Promoting sustainable energy use and engineering sustainable supply to support our economy and modern lifestyles.

## 6.0 Metrics / Objectives

Gloucester Area has not concentrated on objectives through 2016/17 Engineering Council Year.

### 6.1 Key Objectives

- Number of Members attending events and other activities
- Number of Non-Members attending events and other activities
- Number of events and CPD activities run
- Number of press contacts made
- Number of engineering / IMechE mentions generated through media liaison / PR activity
- Number of young people / children attending events and activities

## **6.2 Others**

- Number of engineer employers referred to the BDM
- Number of MPs invited to events
- Number of MPs attending events
- Number of school-centred events run

## **7.0 Other Business**

### **7.1 Prizes and Awards**

### **7.2 ...**