

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 64th Annual General Meeting will be held in the Club Suite, Village Centre at 14:30 p.m. on Saturday 27th June 2026.



AGENDA

Before the start of the business meeting, presentations will be made to winners of the Society's Design and Conservation awards in 2025

1. Minutes of the previous AGM held 15th June 2025 (available to be read on the Society's website)

2. Matters Arising

3. Chairman's Annual Report (delivered with the Newsletter)

4. Presentation of the 2025 Accounts:

Adoption of accounts (available to view on the website)

Appointment of Examiner of Accounts

5. Notification of Officer Bearers (not subject to election)

President: Wendy Rogers. Patron: Judy Parfitt

6. Election of Executive Committee (3 officers and up to 8 other members)

Nominated officers: Chairman: Lyn Williams

Hon. Secretary: Cheryl Vivian Brown

Hon. Treasurer: Julia Kirby

Committee members elected in 2025 and not subject to election in 2026:

Stephen Baldey, Michael Nailard, Rob Fisher

Committee members nominated for election for a term of two years:

Patrick Haworth, Tim Jones, John Naccarato, Paul Rogers

There is a vacancy for one other member.

After the meeting, Simon Nixon will talk about the inspiration behind his wonderful venue on the High Street.

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Minutes of the 63rd Annual General Meeting held in the Club Suite, Village Centre at 14:30pm on Saturday 15th June 2025



In attendance: 30 members with 45 members returning proxy voting forms.

Apologies: Julia Kirby, Wendy Rogers, Gill and Lindsay Keith

Before the start of the business meeting, Lyn Williams, present Chairman, made the awards to the Conservation & Design Award winners, as per the attached list.

1. Minutes of the previous AGM held 6th June 2024. Proposed by Patrick Haworth and seconded by Christopher Maidment that they be approved. Agreed nem con.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

However, two members expressed concern in their voting forms about traffic in the High Street and lack of enforcement. They proposed the introduction of traffic lights at each end of the High Street to make the area safer for pedestrians. Another member had requested a controlled crossing at the top of Cuckfield Road, near the roundabout.

Malcolm Llewellyn, Chair of the Parish Council, was invited to comment. He explained that:

- Traffic lights have been considered on previous occasions and would not work due to the number of side entrances into the street and stacking up of traffic in both directions, around the roundabout/Cuckfield Road and along the Hassocks Road. It would also require the loss of parking spaces along Hassocks Road.
- Pedestrian crossings cost £125K and are agreed on a points system. An application for a crossing outside St Lawrence School has, so far, been unsuccessful. This is deemed a top priority locally and will be pursued by the Parish Council.
- As a separate safety measure, the 20mph speed restriction has been extended along Wickham Hill, Langton Lane, Cuckfield Road and Willow Way

3. Chairman's Annual Report

This had been distributed to all members in the Newsletter, so she referred to that. There were no questions from members.

Proposed by Patrick Haworth and seconded by Christopher Maidment that the report be accepted. Agreed nem con.

4. Presentation of Accounts:

The accounts had been distributed to all members in the Newsletter. There were no questions.

Proposed by Patrick Haworth and seconded by Christopher Maidment that they be adopted. Agreed nem con.

Appointment of Examiner of Accounts. Proposed by Patrick Haworth and seconded by Christopher Maidment that Colin Redshaw be appointed. Agreed nem con.

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Nominated officers: Chairman: Lyn Williams
Hon. Sec: Cheryl Vivian Brown
Hon. Treasurer: Julia Kirby

Proposed by Patrick Haworth and seconded by Christopher Maidment that they be elected.
Agreed nem con.

Committee members elected in 2023 and not subject to election in 2024:
Patrick Haworth, Tim Jones, John Naccarato, Paul Rogers

Committee members nominated for election for a term of two years:
Stephen Baldey, Michael Naillard, Rob Fisher
Proposed by Patrick Haworth and seconded by Christopher Maidment that they be elected.
Agreed nem con.

Thanks were extended to Shelagh Wadman, who retired this year. Lyn will present a token of thanks to her for her long service.

There is one vacancy.

A vote of thanks was given to Lyn Williams and Christopher Maidment for the time and effort they devote to the society

The business meeting concluded at 15:15pm and was followed by a lively talk (with tasting samples) by Tom Bottomly from the Hop Tub.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025
THE HURSTPIERPOINT SOCIETY (Registered Charity No. 263520)

THE HURSTPIERPOINT SOCIETY
2025 ACCOUNTS

	<u>2025 (£s)</u>	<u>2024 (£s)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
INCOME			
Member Subscriptions	2,815.73	2,768.63	Net of £74.27 transaction fees (85% related to CAF fees for subs)
Deposit Interest	867.20	777.97	
Footpath Map & Christmas card sales	710.00	111.50	1,000 Christmas cards sold
Guided Heritage Trails	241.00	205.00	
Tree & other donations	100.00	100.00	
Gift Aid refund	557.50	567.50	
Sundry Income	45.51	36.31	
TOTAL INCOME	5,336.94	4,566.91	
EXPENDITURE			
Projects	0.00	1,867.54	
Administration & Sundries	340.00	319.98	
Newsletter	700.00	640.00	
Printing & Stationery	911.43	463.50	Includes 1,000 Christmas cards and 1,000 Heritage Trail leaflets
Insurance	398.56	387.15	
Meetings/Events	341.81	430.88	
Subscriptions & Grants	1,809.00	659.00	Grants given to various local organisations, including £750 WFFG
Website	661.44	524.76	
Trees	1,725.00	0.00	Donation towards Parish Council's planting of Lime Trees on Rec
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6,887.24	5,292.81	
	-1,550.30	-725.90	

	<u>31/12/2025</u>	<u>31/12/2024</u>
ASSETS AT 31 DECEMBER		
United Trust Bank	15,879.72	15,431.18
CAF Bank	4,040.12	6,206.96
Debtors	0.00	0.00
Freehold land at Cost 2003	10,000.00	10,000.00
Less Funds held as Agent for Museum Group	-206.52	-374.52
TOTAL ASSETS	29,713.32	31,263.62

Julia Kirby, Hon Treasurer 18/01/26

I have checked and agreed these accounts with the associated papers and in my opinion, there is nothing requiring further investigation.

C F Redshaw

Independent Examiner