

## Annual General Meeting

20/07/13 18.30 Byley Village Hall

### Minutes

1. Meeting opened by outgoing Chair Andrew Williams.
2. Approval sought of Minutes of 2012 AGM, proposer; David Trussler, seconder; Richard Slater.
3. Treasurer's report and presentation of accounts by Richard Slater, the key points being that the club has a surplus of £3991 at the end of the accounting year, much of this success is due to increased swimmer numbers. Fees will remain at the same level. The accounting period was over 11 months. Copies of the accounts were sent to all members prior to the AGM. The accounts were proposed and seconded.
4. Head Coach report by Carolyn Cowburn. Carolyn reported that we had sent more swimmers to more galas than in any previous year. The Stockport Mini Meet series has helped in introducing younger swimmers to galas and the discipline and procedures associated with competitions. Marcus Cook has broken the 200m front crawl record. The club has attended 13 open meets throughout the year, and 3 boys have entered National competitions.
5. Chairpersons report by Andrew Williams. Reported a programme of continuous improvement. Andrew acknowledged the importance of Sharkies in the makeup of the club and thanked Charles Firth for running this section. Andrew also thanked the coaches, Carolyn, Terry, Alex and John Tothill. The work and effort put in by Simon Geary in the Swim 21 re-accreditation was acknowledged. Simon Geary gave a brief overview of swim 21 and what it means to the club, and that it would lead to qualification for further government funding. Andrew reported that the club was generally in improved financial health in the last 2 years. In terms of membership numbers we are 'full'. Acknowledgements given to Thomas Hardie Commercial, Swim Cheshire, and the Co-Op Community Fund which have all made financial contributions to the club. We have had major success in Galas, in the NW and Midlands and are now likely to re-enter the Arena League. The Stockport Mini-Meets have presented a good opportunity for younger swimmers. The efforts of Gala Manager Tanya Stone were acknowledged as were the help and support of Tracie, Helen, Judith, and the Briscalls. The Club Championships were a great success and as a licensed level 4 meet gives swimmers a chance to get ASA times, all helpers with the two events were acknowledged. The club has 3 swimmers entered into the NW regionals, being Dan, Ben and Tom.  
Flowers were presented to Carolyn Noelle and Sue. The committee was acknowledged and an appeal for key positions to be filled was raised. Andrew Williams (Chair), Simon Geary (Vice) and Noelle Trussler (Membership Sec) are all standing down, it is essential that the Chair position (at least) is filled for the club to continue. The club also needs a workforce co-coordinator, and swim 21 co-coordinator, and a pool booking co-coordinator. (Roles can be shared or even

combined to suit volunteers coming forward). We also need a person to continue to produce the newsletter.

6. Re Election of Simon Thompson as Secretary and Richard Slater as Treasurer was proposed by Dave Trussler and seconded by John Bottomley.
7. Resolutions; A minor change to the Constitution in that the Welfare Officer is a non-committee member. Richard Slater proposed, seconded by Tanya Stone.
8. AOB, none raised.  
(The meeting was closed and then re-convened for Andrew Williams to announce that Terry Cowburn will take over as interim Chair but the fact remains that we will need to fill several key positions.