



AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Bromley & Orpington Group



21st Annual General Meeting

March 14th 2017

Present: Neville White, Vivien Glanz, David Howkins, Waltraut Gilchrist, Patsy Paine, Ted Burke, Wendy Simmons, Margaret Coppard, Peter Martin, Gladys Edmonds and Vivienne Andrews. **Apologies:** Chris Purnell.

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman:	Neville White	nominated by Patsy Paine seconded by Waltraut Gilchrist
Secretary:	Vivien Glanz	nominated by Gladys Edmonds seconded by Patsy Paine
Treasurer:	David Howkins	nominated by Ted Burke seconded by Wendy Simmons

No other nominations were received; the above named were elected unanimously.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2016 AND BUDGET FOR 2017

David circulated copies of his financial report for the 2016 calendar year, together with his budget proposals for 2017. The report of the Independent Examiner, Karl Ahlborn, confirmed that the Income and Expenditure account and Statement of Assets were in accordance with the Group's accounting records. The Financial Statement showed total income for the year of £2,709, cash held at 1st January 2016 of £533, donations to Amnesty of £2,150 (plus £72 affiliation fee), Group expenditure of £427 and cash held at the year-end of £665. Donations were well ahead of budget. Events had delivered significantly ahead of budget. Donations at £813 had held up strongly. Group operational costs (excluding affiliation fee) had fallen to 13% of income, nearly 60% of which is room hire.

Copies of the Financial Statements are available from David. The Group's assets include archive, screens, Amnesty candle, upright banner, feather banner and other banners.

The budget for 2017 projects total income of £2,440, expenditure of £440, and donations to Amnesty of £2,000. The budget is prudently ahead of that proposed last year, and is marginally lower than actual outturn for 2016. Events are budgeted at £1,940 for 2017 and donations of £500. The Group unanimously approved the budget. Thanks were expressed to David for his prudent accounting of our affairs.

3. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The Officers proposed the re-appointment of Karl Ahlborn as the Group's Independent Examiner, which was approved by the Group. Karl was thanked for his work in independently examining the Group's accounts.

4. VOTE OF THANKS

The Group's thanks were expressed to Frances Darling for administering the monthly e-mailing and to Heather Howard for her regular financial support throughout 2016.

N E WHITE, Chair