

## **AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL**





# 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting March 13<sup>th</sup> 2018

**Present:** Neville White, Vivien Glanz, David Howkins, Patsy Paine, Ted Burke, Margaret Coppard, Gladys Edmonds, Patrick and Carolyn Nield and Vivienne Andrews. Guest Observer; Daren Nair. **Apologies**: Waltraut Gilchrist, Wendy Simmons and Peter Martin.

#### 1. <u>ELECTION OF OFFICERS</u>

Chairman: Neville White nominated by Wendy Simmons

seconded by Patsy Paine

Secretary: Vivien Glanz nominated by Gladys Edmonds

seconded by Wendy Simmons

Treasurer: David Howkins nominated by Ted Burke

seconded by Vivien Glanz

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

#### 2. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2017 AND BUDGET FOR 2018

David circulated copies of his financial report for the 2017 calendar year, together with his budget proposals for 2018. 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 £2,845, cash held at 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017 of £665, donations to Amnesty of £2,628 (plus £72 affiliation fee), Group expenditure of £383 and cash held at the year-end of £500. Donations were behind budget and had fallen significantly compared to 2016, but events had delivered significantly ahead of budget. Group operational costs (excluding affiliation fee) had fallen to just 11% of income (13% in 2016), of which 63% is room hire and 3% postage

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. These are assessed as having nil value.

The budget for 2018 projects total income of £3,900, expenditure of £420, and donations to Amnesty of £3,480. The budget is well ahead of that proposed last year, and is significantly ahead of actual outturn for 2017. Events are budgeted at £3,200 for 2018 with donations of £700. The Group unanimously approved the budget with one amendment: removal of the budget item relating to Cudham fair. Thanks were expressed to David for his prudent accounting of our affairs.

### 3. <u>APPOINTMENT OF INDEP</u>ENDENT 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.

N E WHITE Chair