

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL Bromley & Orpington Group



18th Annual General Meeting March 11th 2014

Present: Neville White, Shirley Henderson, David Howkins, Waltraut Gilchrist, Patsy Paine, Eleanor Ivens, Ted Burke, Wendy Simmons, Gladys Edmonds, Joan Williams, Margaret Coppard, Patrick McDonnell, Rene Eastwood, Vivien Glanz, Vivienne Andrews, and Claire Ellis. **Apologies**: Simon Nash and Eve Fisher.

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

Chairman: Neville White nominated by Patsy Paine

seconded by Waltraut Gilchrist

Secretary: Vivien Glanz nominated by Neville White

seconded by Shirley Henderson

Treasurer: David Howkins nominated by Eleanor Ivens

seconded by Patrick McDonnell

No other nominations were received; the above named were elected unanimously. The Group thanked Shirley Henderson who retires as Group Secretary after serving for three and a half years.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2013 AND BUDGET FOR 2014

David circulated copies of his financial report for the 2013 calendar year, together with his budget proposals for 2014. 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 £3,809, cash held at 1st January 2013 of £563, donations to Amnesty of £3,050, Group expenditure of £759 and cash held at the year-end of £563. Donations and income from events were both just ahead of budget.

Copies of the Financial Statements are available from David. The Group's assets include the canopy, screens, Amnesty candle, upright banner and other banners. The Group has disposed of its stock of second hand books. Stock to the value of £36 is held in Amnesty Christmas cards.

The budget for calendar 2014 projects total income of £4,900, expenditure of £720, and donations to Amnesty of £4,180. Events are budgeted at £4,400 for 2014 and donations £500. The Group unanimously approved the budget. Thanks were expressed to David for his prudent accounting of our affairs.

3. <u>APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER</u>

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. <u>VOTE OF THANKS</u>

The Group's thanks were expressed to Frances Darling for administering the monthly mailing.

N E WHITE Chair