



Berkshire Ornithological Club



Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting 2015

8.00pm 4th March 2015, Room 109, Palmer Building, University of Reading

The Chairman, Tim Ball, was in the chair and 48 members were present.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Mike Turton, Ken and Sheila Cottam, Iain Oldcorn, Chris Foster, Mr & Mrs Walling, Roger Frankum.
2. **Changes to the Constitution:** Bill Nicoll presented the proposed changes to the Constitution (detailed below), stating that they were required to enable the Club to make our financial review as simple as possible.

Clause 6.1

6.1 The Club's Financial Year shall run from 1st October to 30th September in the following year. An audited statement of accounts shall be prepared annually to 30th September and laid before the Club at the Annual General Meeting next following after the audit as provided for in clause 6.3.

Proposed wording:

6.1 The Club's Financial Year shall run from 1st October to 30th September in the following year. A statement of accounts shall be prepared annually to 30th September and laid before the Club at the next Annual General Meeting.

Clause 6.3

6.3 One Auditor who shall neither hold an office in the Club nor be a serving Committee Member shall be appointed by the Committee to examine the annual accounts of the Club.

Proposed wording:

6.3 A person whom the Committee consider to be competent, who shall neither hold an office in the Club nor be a serving Committee Member, shall be appointed by the Committee to review the annual accounts of the Club. The accounts shall be reviewed to the standard required by the Charity Commission (or its successors).

Clause 6.4

6.4 The Committee shall be empowered to pay proper remuneration to the Auditor as appointed.

Proposed wording:

6.4 The Committee shall be empowered to pay proper remuneration to the person appointed to review the accounts.

The proposed changes had been circulated to all members with the agenda for the meeting. There were no questions and the proposal to accept the changes as circulated was carried unanimously.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.05pm.