

**DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE ESSEX BRANCH OF THE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION  
held at 2.30pm on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024,  
at Trinity Methodist Church, Rainsford Road, Chelmsford, CM1 2XB**

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** : John Symonds, Andrew Bell
- 2. MINUTES OF AGM HELD ON 23rd SEPTEMBER 2023** Proposer Andy Moir Seconder Ian Mason Acceptance unanimously
- 3. ANNUAL BRANCH REPORT FROM THE CHAIR – 2023-2024** Acceptance unanimously
  - a. Membership increased from last year
  - b. Treasurer being in post for 18years looking for a replacement
  - c. Please read the report after the meeting
- 4. ANNUAL REPORT OF HON. TREASURER** Acceptance unanimously
  - a. We are in a healthy financial position
  - b. Please pay your subscription by BACS to save us money
  - c. The Independent Examiner has retired need a replacement
- 5. DONATION of £75 to VCH (Victoria County History)** Proposer Jenny Moir Seconder Prue Jones Acceptance unanimously
- 6. VOTE of THANKS to INDEPENDENT EXAMINER (Tony Eve)** Proposer Andy Moir Seconder Ian Mason Acceptance unanimously
- 7. APPOINTMENT of NEW INDEPENDENT EXAMINER** John Knott volunteered to be the Independent Examiner
- 8. ELECTION OF CHAIR** Tony Tuckwell Proposer Andy Moir Seconder Mrs Bell Acceptance unanimously
- 9. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE** Proposer Mr Salmon Seconder Prue Jones Acceptance unanimously
  - a. Principal officers: Vice-Chair – Ian Mason; Hon. Treasurer – Andy Moir; Programme Secretary – Martin Frampton
  - b. Committee members: Minutes and Membership Secretary – Debbie Cresswell; Equipment and Accommodation – John Symonds; Educational Liaison and Development – John Edgar
  - c. One branch member has kindly offered to join the Committee, Kelvin Hines

The meeting was followed with a talk by Mike Dodsworth on The Witch Trials of Chelmsford.