

**WHITEWATER VALLEY WINE SOCIETY**  
**Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 10th February 2026**

The meeting began at 7.57pm.

**Apologies for Absence:** Barbara Mullins, Graham Dragon.

**Minutes of AGM 2025:** These were approved as being a true record and accepted by Members.

**Matters Arising:** None.

Proposed by Dave Palmer

Seconded by Andy Shadbolt

**Chairperson's Report:**

Keith Cooper referred to his report which had been circulated. He highlighted the excellent attendance levels and expressed his grateful thanks to Committee Members for their help and support. Committee members have agreed to serve for another year. He ended by announcing that plans are being made for the 40th Anniversary Dinner on 5th March 2027 at Elvetham Hall.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Phil Brown referred to his report which had been circulated. He thanked his predecessor, Richard Ford, for the handover. He gave details of membership, Society funds and the need to increase charges because of rising costs.

**Acceptance of Accounts:**

Proposed by Alastair Dudley

Seconded by Wishav Goel

**Election Of Officers:**

- \* Election of Chairperson: Keith Cooper - proposed by Derrick Sequira, seconded by Wishav Goel.
  - \* Election of Secretary: Barbara Jones - proposed by Richard Ford, seconded by Ken Pickworth.
  - \* Election of Treasurer: Phil Brown - proposed by Steve Tracey, seconded by Stephanie Tracey.
  - \* Election of Committee Members:  
Clive Gibbons - proposed by Hugh O'Donnell, seconded by Brian John  
Paula Mitten - proposed by Nesta Downey, seconded by Nigel Downey  
Andy Shadbolt - proposed by Sian Coates, seconded by Helen Fletcher.
- Members agreed to one vote for all Committee Members and it was unanimous.

**Increase in Charges:**

Members were asked to approve the following changes in charges:

- \* An increase in monthly tasting fee for members from £20 to £22; for guests from £24 to £27.
- \* An increase in joining fee from £15 to £20.

Members approved the changes: acceptance was

Proposed by Bob Johnson

Seconded by Wishav Goel

**There was no other business.**