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ASSOCIATION OF
FIRE INVESTIGATORS®

Minutes of the 20th Annual General Meeting

UK Association of Fire Investigators (IAAI Chapter 67)

Monday 30th January 2023

Location: Delta Hotels by Marriott Heathrow Windsor
Ditton Road, Langley, Slough SL3 8PT

1 Meeting opened at 9:00am

- 1.1 **Emma Wilson** (UK AFI President) Welcomed Members
- 1.2 **Emma Wilson** detailed procedures and outlined voting.
- 1.3 **Emma Wilson** (UK AFI President) Welcomed Members and acknowledged those that have sent their apologies and invited other apologies from those attending
- 1.4 **Apologies:**
Deon Webber, John Gow

2 Committee Elections

- 2.1 **Emma Wilson** gave the President's address, saying she has had a wonderful year and thanked the UK-AFI Board and members for their support. Emma hopes the initiatives she has put in place will continue to strengthen the Chapter in the coming years.
- 2.2 **Emma Wilson** handed over the presidency to **James Acott**.
- 2.3 **James Acott** gave a short inaugural speech. Thanking the immediate past president and acknowledging the success of 2022. James welcomed and thanked the IAAI Board of Directors for holding their mid-year meeting in London and participating in the UK-AFI conference.
- 2.4 **Dr. Peter Mansi Past President** (Chair of the Election Committee) was asked to announce the vacant positions:
 - 2nd Vice President – **Richard Hagger** accepted onto the Executives Board **unopposed**
 - Board of Directors – **Claire Mansi** accepted onto the Board of Directors **unopposed**



- **David Schudel** and **Sean Smith** have been co-opted on the Board of Directors Vacancies.

Peter Mansi went on to announce there will be three positions vacant during 2024 elections and that nominations are now open and encouraged the members to consider standing.

2.5 President **James Acott** confirmed the elected Board for 2023 will be as follows:

President **James Acott**

Immediate Past President **Emma Wilson**

1st Vice President **Dai Hancock**

2nd Vice President **Richard Hagger**

Director of administration Paola Ponticelli
(Non-Voting Position)

- Director of the Board **John Gow** 2021-2024 (Term expires Jan 2024)
- Director of the Board **Luke Beckett** 2021-2024 (Term expires Jan 2024)
- Director of the Board **Dave Bristow** 2012-2025 (Term expires Jan 2025)
- Director of the Board **Mike Wisekal** 2022-2025 (Term expires Jan 2025)
- Director of the Board **Claire Mansi**. 2023-2026 (Term expires Jan 2026)
- Director of the Board VACANCY
Co-opted **Sean Smith** (To run Jan 2024)
- Director of the Board VACANCY
David Schudel (To run Jan 2024)

3 Minutes of the 2022 AGM

3.1 James Acott called for a proposal that the minutes of the 2022 AGM be accepted

3.2 Proposed: Chris Ward

3.3 Seconded: David Hancock

Vote was carried

4 Matters arising from 2022 Minutes

4.1 None.



5 Reports on – Journal - Membership -Financial - CFI Proctors Report - Website

5.1 James Acott outlined the details of the reports and stated that the reports will be displayed on the website. The audited accounts are available on the website.

UK-AFI has 550 members made up of public, private and international membership, all members were encouraged to ensure their profile is up to date.

The UK-AFI product recall page has always been very time intensive, the BOD has decided to keep the 20 years of historic information but suspend the site and signpost to OPPS for future recalls.

The UK-AFI was awarded the best journal award in 2022, to ensure future success members were encouraged to send any articles to Emma Wilson.

6 Constitution Amendment

6.1 None

7 Further Business

7.1 There being no further business the meeting was closed