



NSA Marches Region Annual Regional Members Meeting minutes Wednesday 2nd December 2020, 7pm via Zoom online platform

Attendees

Antony Spencer (Chairman)	Katie James (Secretary)	Henry Dunn (Trustee)
Richard Vines (Vice Chair)	Mike Credland (Treasurer)	Sarah Dunn
Rollo Deutsch	Andrew Powers	Tom James Moore
Tom Chapman	Phil Stocker (NSA Chief Exec)	Nicola Noble (NSA Policy & Technical Officer)
Rob Manning	Tom James	Mike Carter
Simon Hall	Anne Bush	Robert Baldwin
Gillian Herbert	Emma Steele	Hilary Mann
Beth Jones	Jane Cutter	Hugh Kennedy
Andrew King	Richard Rogers	Bryan Griffiths (NSA Chair)
Annie Carr	Charlotte Underwood	Ernie Richards
Noel Privett	Adam Quinney	Beeno Veenstra

Minutes

Agenda Item	Minutes
001	Apologies. Nigel and Ched Barratt Kevin Harrison
002	Minutes of last meeting and matters arising. Minutes from last meeting - approved Matters arising – none raised
003	Election of office holders. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairman – Antony Spencer. Proposed by Andrew Powers, seconded by Mike Credland • Vice Chairman – Richard Vines. Proposed by Ant Spencer, seconded by Andrew Powers • Treasurer – Mike Credland. Proposed by Richard Vines, seconded by Tom James Moore • Re-approval of region’s Trustee Director – Henry Dunn. Proposed by Andrew Powers, seconded by Mike Credland • Election and re-approval of NSA English Committee representatives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ant Spencer



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Credland • Richard Vines • Kevin Harrison (NSA Marches region member is current NSA English Committee Chairman and therefore does not require nomination from the region) • All proposed by Andrew Powers and seconded by Rollo Deutsch • Election of new committee members and endorsement of current: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angela Weston and Richard Carter had requested to be removed from committee. • Mike Carter was added on to the committee. • No further changes made.
004	<p>Chairman's report – Ant Spencer</p> <p>Ant reported that due to the disrupted year with many events and social opportunities affected by Covid19 the region had had a quieter year. The year had begun with an interesting ARMM at Ludlow Food Centre with the meeting joined by Phillipa Page of Flock Health and Ellie Phipps from NSA. Ellie has subsequently left NSA to pursue a new career teaching. Ant wished her well and said she would be missed by the region and NSA as a whole. Covid then struck as most were preparing to start lambing meaning that regional meetings moved online but thanks to Zoom this had still allowed frequent opportunity for meetings.</p> <p>It was a great shame to miss NSA Sheep Event in July especially as NSA Marches region have a greater level of involvement but it is hoped the event will return and get back on track successfully in the summer of 2022.</p> <p>Due to a relaxation of restrictions the region was able to enjoy one visit this year and that was to Cotswold Seeds' Farm Ed site where Director Ian Wilkinson had welcomed the group of approximately 30 members. This visit was enjoyed by everyone and offered some very thought provoking information regarding the regenerative approach to farming.</p>
005	<p>Treasurers report – Mike Credland</p> <p>Mike reported that Karen Sumner and Alexandra Abbott at NSA Head Office continued to manage the region's accounts. 2020 had seen minimal spending so the accounts were still looking healthy with approximately £10,000 in the regional bank account. Mike commented that although this was a reasonable amount of money that we should still be mindful of future spending as there was not currently any opportunity to being in any money either.</p>
006	<p>Any other business</p> <p>NSa Chief Executive Phil Stocker thanked the region for agreeing to decline the head office payment for the region this year.</p>
	As there was no further business, the formal meeting was closed at 7.20pm.

The meeting was followed by updates from NSA Chief Executive Phil Stocker and Simon Hall from Livestock Information Ltd who spoke about new changes for the coming year for livestock movement reporting.