

THE MOSELEY SOCIETY
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 20th MAY 2026, 7.30 p.m.
at Moseley Exchange.

Helen Minovi welcomed everyone to the meeting, noting that this was the 48th annual meeting of The Society. Helen offered a particular welcome to Georgina Sheldon who had designed the Annual Review, the appearance of which is such a contrast to the photocopied efforts that the Society used to produce. However, Helen pointed out that one thing that had not changed was the number of people recorded as having helped in some way in the last year. And in addition to those listed as part of the various sub-groups there were many others who deliver newsletters or help in other ways. Helen said that volunteers are always welcome and we always want more, whether they can spare a lot or a little time.

There were 23 members present.

Geoff Rees conducted the formal meeting.

1. APOLOGIES had been received from Frances Anderson, Ian & Gill Binnie, David Whittingham, Jean Gilkison & Trevor Hocking, Liz & Nigel Blakey, John Newson, Carol Miller, Revd Angela Hannafin, Rachel Smith-Chopra, Frank Brophy, Anne Gilbert, Charles & Sharon Wall, Kirsten de Vos, Ann Burness, Tahir Ali MP, Veronica Bradney, Esther Boyd, Catriona Crombie, Ann Burton, Wendy Alabaster, Rob Brown, Helen Rouse, Michael Sheehan, Gill & David McGillivray, Carole McKeown & David Low, Rachel Kinks, Ken Fisher, Rob Lawley, Sabreena Mahroof and Izzy Knowles. (Fiona added that Izzy was in the air, on her way to Chicago to visit her son and meet her new baby granddaughter. There was a round of applause for Izzy who had just been re-elected as a Moseley Councillor with 3724 votes – the highest number of votes for any of the City’s Councillors.)
2. MINUTES of the last AGM held on 21 May 2025 had been circulated in advance and were available at the meeting. They were taken as read and agreed by all present.
3. PRESENTATION OF THE REPORTS.
The reports in the Annual Review were accepted and there were no questions.
4. TREASURER’S REPORT AND ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS.
Copies of the report and accounts to 31 December 2025 had been circulated in advance and were available at the meeting.
In presenting the accounts Phil Williams said that expenditure exceeded income because of special projects at the icehouse and dovecote.
There were no questions and the report and accounts were adopted unanimously on a vote proposed by Helen Minovi and seconded by David Sandison.
5. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES.
The agenda set out the information that this year Sally Wright, Phil Williams and Ray Tier are offering themselves for re-election. This offer was approved unanimously. In addition, Matt Coneys Wainwright, who already volunteers at the icehouse, offered to join the Committee and his offer was warmly welcomed.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

6.1 Diana Woods asked if there were going to be Heritage Boards with information about the history of Moseley at the new railway station. Fiona Adams said that local artist Charlotte Jenkins had been engaged by one of the transport authorities to produce a board for each of the three new stations on the Camp Hill line. Tom Russell, Secretary of Moseley Forum, explained that although a 'Friends of Moseley Village Station' group had been proposed, recent contact from West Midlands Trains revealed that they seemed to have very different priorities from those in Moseley who have already expressed interest in a Friends Group. Tom also confirmed that the event due to have taken place on Saturday 23 May to celebrate the new station had been rearranged for Saturday 18 July. This is because strike action will result in cancellation of all train services on May 22 and 23. Tom noted that there had been talk of a digital notice board that could be used by the community but that seems to have been missed off the contractor's to-do list. He agreed to follow this up.

Fiona Adams and Ray Tier said that they had sent information to Charlotte Jenkins, including links to the walks on the history section of the Society's website. Ray said that he had offered to revise the walks so that they began from the station.

Edwina Rees said that she had understood that there would be a notice board on the forecourt on which the community could display notices.

6.2 Sally Wright said that we needed to keep emphasising the need for recruitment of new members and Georgina Sheldon said that she had produced some new posters. So far these have only been shared via social media by Kirsten de Vos, but they could also be printed and displayed in the area.

There were no further questions and Geoff thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was concluded at 7.45 p.m.