

Minutes of Routes to Roots Annual General Meeting 12th June 2014
United Reformed Church, Skinner Street, Poole

1. Attendance**Present:**

Pat Southgate
Gabi Sanger-Stevens
Sarah Percy
Susan Gittins
Caroline Foy
Neil Robertson
Ruth Meaden
Helen Ellis

Joan Percy
Peter Newman
George Taylor
Natalie Saunders
Margaret Blyth
Alison Dalton
Janette McCallum
Marion Luckman

Apologies:

Lynn Foster
Dave Dalton
Llia Sanger-Stevens
Marcus Steward-Keeling
Eric Damerell
Beryl Bariana
Maureen McCabe
Michael McCabe

Terence St John
Rosemary St John
Philip Ward
Nigel Benning
Fr Barry Hallett
(St Josephs RC Church)
Kate Mellor

2. Welcome and Opening Prayer

The Revd Pat Southgate, Chair of R2R welcomed all those present and thanked them for coming to the final AGM of Routes to Roots. She shared that as one door closes, so another has already opened.

Pat welcomed Neil Robertson, newly appointed to take responsibility for projects co-ordination for Routes to Roots.

She opened the meeting with a reading from Luke 4, followed by prayers.

3. Minutes of the Previous AGM

The Minutes of the AGM held on 20th June 2013 which had been available to view on the website were reviewed and then agreed as a true copy by the meeting and signed by the Chair.

4. Chair's Report

Pat Southgate shared that she was just as passionate in reaching out to the homeless and vulnerable now and that not a lot has changed over the years. Before churches began to take out food there was no provision. Jesus said that we would always have the poor amongst us. While there are people on the street we will continue to go on helping them. Pat expressed her appreciation to the committee.

The Chair's Report was read by Pat Southgate.

Please see attached.

5. Treasurer's Report and adoption of accounts for 2013/14

Sarah Percy stated that Routes to Roots had received over £40,000 in 2013/14.

She encouraged people to become members of Routes to Roots (Poole) CIO, to change any standing orders to the new bank details and to complete a new gift-aid form if they were able to gift-aid their donation.

Sarah read her report.

Please see attached and accounts sheet.

Sarah proposed that the meeting adopted the accounts.

Gabi Sanger-Stevens seconded the proposal and the accounts were unanimously adopted.

6. Secretary's Report

The secretary's report was read by Gabi Sanger-Stevens.
Please see attached.

7. Management Services Report

Gabi Sanger-Stevens submitted her report to the meeting.

8. Any other business

Alison Dalton expressed her appreciation for all the work done by Routes to Roots.
Pat shared the news that Bishop Graham had agreed to become a patron.

9. Close

The meeting joined together in the saying of the grace.

Caroline Foy
(Administrator)