Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the ASHBY CANAL ASSOCIATION HELD at the Measham Leisure Centre in Measham on 21st March 2024 The Meeting commenced at 7:35 p.m.

In accordance with the agenda communicated to all members at least 21 clear days before the date hereof, the following items were transacted:

- 1. Apologies for absence had been received from Keith Vaughan Welch, Brian Holmes, Rod Allen, Richard Willis, Hazel Willis, Liz Muston, Frank Muston, Nigel Smith, John Roddis, Howard Peach and Linda Plummer. No application to register a proxy vote had been received by the Secretary.
- 2. The Roll Call of Members present in person was compiled by Cindy Aston and shows that 30 Members of the Association were present.
- 3. The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 9th April 2023 were approved by a show of hands without amendment.
- 4. The Chairman reported on the activities undertaken by the Association since 9th April 2023 which included
 - recovery from the Covid Emergency which continued to affect events at the beginning of the year
 - the installation of a security system at Snarestone Wharf
 - completion of the construction of a stop gate complete with footbridge to safeguard the canal from damage and water loss in the event of further leaks on the new section beyond Snarestone Wharf
 - the erection of notice boards, maintenance of benches and planting of saplings, all of which are now routine
 - the virtual completion of the new footpath between Snarestone Wharf and Measham which is being well used
 - the continued publication of Spout taken over by Arran Jenkins in addition to his work of organising regular work parties
 - the resumption of Social Events which included the traditional Quiz Night at Stoke Golding and
 - the receipt from Howard Peach and subsequent refurbishment and erection of a railway signal and other items at Snarestone Wharf.

The Chairman concluded his report by thanking all members of the Committee for their work on behalf of the Association during the year.

The Report was approved by acclamation.

- 5. The Accounts for the year ended 30th September 2023, which had been prepared by the Treasurer and independently scrutinized by Penelope Barber, were unanimously approved.
- 6. Three Members of the Managing Committee resigned in accordance with the Constitution after which Bob Taylor, Mike Jeffs and Peter Oakden were re-elected by unanimous vote.
- 7. There being no other business relevant to an Annual General Meeting of which notice had been given to the Secretary at least 7 clear days before the commencement of the Meeting it was declared closed at 7:46 post meridiem.

The Secretary Ashby Canal Association