



## SUFFOLK LIBRARIES AGM 2023 MINUTES

<b>Title of Meeting:</b>	Suffolk Libraries IPS – Annual General Meeting
<b>Date:</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
<b>Place:</b>	Woodbridge Library
<b>Time:</b>	7-7.45pm (followed by staff awards 8-9pm)
<b>Attendees:</b>	List can be found here:
<b>Invited:</b>	List can be found here:
<b>Minutes by:</b>	Laura Richardson, Governance Coordinator

<b>Minutes:</b>
<p>Welcome and apologies by Debra Reay, Chair of the Board.</p> <p>Debra’s speech noted key points such as the be kind in kind, warm spaces campaign, SCC supporting libraries financially, acknowledged the re-tender process coming in 2024.</p> <p>Apologies list can be requested from <a href="mailto:laura.a.richardson@suffoklibraries.co.uk">laura.a.richardson@suffoklibraries.co.uk</a></p> <p>Minutes 22/9/2022 agreed - proposer Sylvia Knights seconder Liz Ditton.</p> <p>Sylvias speech, in place of Maureen Garratt Simpson as treasurer who sends apologies, highlighted the existing contract not being index linked, therefore requiring SCC support to not go into deficit, friends group donations, library improvements, additional funding from SCC 750k confirmed – any questions to Director of Finance and Infrastructure <a href="mailto:mandy.wilkinson@suffolklibraries.co.uk">mandy.wilkinson@suffolklibraries.co.uk</a></p> <p>Thanks to the auditors Larking Gowen and the finance team.</p> <p>Proposer – Debra Reay</p> <p>Seconded – Tony Brown</p> <p>Show of hands to adopt accounts</p> <p>No questions for Mandy</p> <p>Proposer Sylvia Knights seconder Tony Brown to retain alarming Gowen as auditors</p> <p>Debra Reay thanked Maureen Garratt Simpson for her fantastic work with the board, who is now stepping down</p> <p>Debra confirmed Caroline Boyd and Bradley Allsop are appointed to the board without election as there were enough board spaces, welcome to the board by Debra and thank you for your support. Encouraged friends groups to continue nominating for the board in the future.</p> <p>Debra introduced the video – ‘What It Means To Work For Suffolk Libraries’</p> <p>Debra thanked Bruce Leeke and Mandy Wilkinson and Laura Richardson</p>

Bruce then thanked board members (small gifts given to those present, will be posted to members not present)

Raffle was drawn, 3 winners.

Break for 15 minutes then staff awards.

End of minutes. AGM Meeting closed 7.45pm

**Date of Next Meeting:**

- September 2024 (TBC nearer the time)