

HRGB West Midland region

Draft Minutes of the AGM held on Saturday 7th March 2026 at Lower Broadheath Village Hall

The chairman extended a warm welcome to everyone present

1. Apologies for absence

David Hampson, Rowena Shipley, Tom Oldershaw, Amanda Colbourne, Denise McCanna, Lindsey Trevarthen, Wendy Walters, Alan Walters, Ruth Hewison, Kevin Hewison, Jan Harrison, St James H R (Harvington) and St Andrews HR (Ombersley)

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated and approved by committee members shortly after the meeting. Richard Hartnell proposed, and Wendy Hartwright seconded that they be formally adopted.

3. Matters arising

Secretary's report

4.2 After much consideration, Francine Ash decided that it would not be possible to form a new team in Willoughby.

4. Officers' reports

The Chairman and the secretary presented their reports. Copies of the accounts for the year ending December 2025 were circulated. In the absence of David Hampson, the treasurer, the secretary read out his report. *(The three reports will be filed with the Minutes of the meeting.)*

5. Approval of the accounts and the Independent Examiner's Report

The secretary reported that the accounts had been prepared by the treasurer, audited by the Independent Examiner and forwarded to Anthony Hayes, the National Treasurer. Richard proposed, and Diane Dolley seconded a motion that the accounts and examiner's report be accepted. This was unanimously agreed.

6. Election of officers

Current officers:

Chair: Richard Hartnell, **Secretary:** Margaret Moss, **Treasurer:** David Hampson

Committee members: Wendy Hartwright, Diane Dolley, Jane Smith, Janice Sheasby, Liz Smith.

NEC representatives: Richard Hartnell and David Hampson

Website administrator: Jenny Barraclough

All the above officers agreed to serve again for the forthcoming year. It was suggested that they be reappointed *en bloc*. Dee Knight proposed, and Isobel Yates seconded this suggestion, which was unanimously agreed.

7. A.O.B.

- Stephen Shipley aired the issue of “What do ringers want?” His comments regarding the need for better communication between the region and teams were noted, along with his suggestion for support for teams.
- A “Diary Dates” for 2026, and up to the beginning of March 2027, is ready for circulation (*this has now been circulated*)

8. Date of next meeting

Saturday 6th March 2027, with the venue to be arranged.

There being no other business, the chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 12.45 pm.

Signed -----

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