

**DIGGERS' FORUM COMMITTEE**

27 November 2023 19:00 PM

Online

**AGM Minutes**
**Present:** Martyn Cooper (Chair), Matevz Groselj, Calum Hall, Luke Bateson, Colin Forrestal

1.	Welcome & Apologies	Action
	1) MC welcomed attendees. 2) Karl Macrow, Amy McCabe, Tabitha Gulliver Lawrence and Eilidh Barr send their apologies. 3) MC welcomed the new committee members Matevz Groselj, Calum Hall, Luke Bateson.	
2.	Chair's Report	Action
	1) Thank you to Karl and Amy who are stepping down. 2) Attendance at final Industry Working Group meeting. 3) Big push following BAJR poverty report but little change a year on. 4) Attendance at Prospect organised meeting at Houses of Parliament. 5) Attendance at Cifa conference (MC and TGL). 6) Attendance at Advisory Council meetings. 7) Continued to promote the viewpoints of field archaeologists at events and meetings. 8) Most of the year spent with 4 committee members. 9) Co opted 4 new members but difficult to recruit new people. Issue across all SIGS. 10) Still no volunteers for Treasurer or Secretary 11) Highlighted that MC has to stand down at the next AGM and group will cease to exist without a chair or other key positions.	DF



	12) CF pointed out the value of DF and the need for it to continue.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Secretary's Role</b>	<b>Action</b>
	1) Role of secretary described by MC with input from CF.	DF
<b>4.</b>	<b>Treasurer's Role</b>	<b>Action</b>
	1) Role of treasurer described by MC with input from CF.	DF
<b>5.</b>	<b>Plans for the Future</b>	<b>Action</b>
	<p>1) Committee will meet in new year to find a way forward and suggest changes to improve the interest in the group and particularly in standing for Committee.</p> <p>2) Elect/nominate treasurer and secretary.</p> <p>3) DF will continue to cover Health &amp; Safety aspects and promote the profession.</p> <p>4) DF will continue to work with other SIGs and Prospect to promote the views and concerns of Field archaeologists.</p>	MC/DF
<b>6</b>	<b>Election of Committee Members</b>	<b>Action</b>
	<p>1) The two positions opened up by members stepping down are still to be filled.</p> <p>2) Neither the Secretary or Treasurer position has been filled during the meeting. DF will need to appoint both positions in the near-future to continue to operate as a SIG.</p>	DF
<b>7.</b>	<b>AOB</b>	<b>Action</b>
	None raised	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Date of Next AGM</b>	<b>Action</b>
	This is set for between June to July 2024	

