

Families need Fathers

Thames Valley Branch

Annual General Meeting held online on the 16th December 2024

MINUTES

Start time: 20:15

AGM Attendee:

Narinder Singh Basra

Alain Williams

Arthur Vered

Janet Brett

Mahi Kurra

Patrick Graydon

Giuseppe Trerotoli

Liem Than

Jamie Harley

Sergio De Gregorio

Aftab Hussain

Vinay D Sookraj

Apologies: Jamal Batti and Conrad Jarret

Last AGM minutes are approved

Branch officers report:

Chair:

We have successfully moved from an online only module to an alternate weekly meeting on each Monday at 8pm alternating a face to face meeting in The Bel and Dragon pub in Cookham and one online on the Jitsi platform all year long. We thank the committee and Alain and Arthur for the continue support to the branch and to Patrick and Giuseppe for manning also the telephone lines. We would to suggest to members to help the Officers in the future. We have seen a drop in people presence at meetings lately in the last 2 months

Treasurer

1. Thank you to everyone in the Committee and specially to Arthur and Alain.
2. Amount in Bank Account as @30/10/24 = £625.85
3. Total Income = £0 from £0 income of last year
4. Outgoings this year @ £0.00
5. Currently the branch has £0 outgoings and has £0 income. It is able to meet its needs of providing support to members due to provision of free video conferencing software and Alain hosting the technology aspects for free. Based on this I see no need to change at the moment.
6. We do encourage all attendees of the branch to join FNF to support the larger organisation, the fees are £39 per annum or £4 per month. A small cost compared to the legal costs.
7. Any Questions. No questions raised

Secretary:

Thanks to Arthur and Alain for your long-term commitment to the branch and to the committee especially Patrick and Nas.

We decided at the last meeting that we do not need a library any more as most of documents are on the web or on the FNF website.

I will start to circulate the electronic Branch Poster which Arthur made and which promotes our Branch. Will continue to do so also with Councils and other Charities.

Lately the meetings have been quite low in number of presences so for the last two months we have dropped the pub meeting and we do an online meeting every week. We will look at re starting the pub meeting in the new Year 2025. Branch Annual Get Together Dinner will be held sometime in February 2025

Statistics: we have 83 members in the email chat from 94 last year.

Patrick will organise during 2025 a cull of member who do not use the chat any more.

Task for Alain to our check website for ability of different people to read it on different machines as suggested by Sergio De Gregorio in this meeting and to update the website with the new logo and charity name.

Officers Elections:

Previous officers resigned at 21.10 - meeting held by Arthur (interim)

Election of a new Committee

Chair: Narinder Singh Basra - votes 13 - 0

Secretary: Giuseppe Trerotoli votes 13 - 0

Treasurer: Patrick Graydon votes 13 - 0

Narinder Singh Basra re-elected Chair and meeting chairing resumed; all the other officers have been re-elected too.

AOB:

Please if anyone would like to help the group Committee please email us.

Meeting closed at: 21.16