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Annual General Meeting

Monday 12 March 2018 at 20:00

Hilton Garden Inn, Eastern Perimeter Road, Hounslow, London TW6 2SQ

Minutes / Action Points

Present

Stephen Telling	LTCOA Chairman
Darren Brown	Crawley Luxury Coaches
David Brown	Crawley Luxury Coaches
Anthony Burkill	LJ Edwards
Judy Dale	Royale European Coaches
Taj Dhaliwal	New Bharat Coaches
Andrew Jeakins	Jeakins / Lianne Coaches
Danny Kenny	Southgate and Finchley Coaches
David Maynard	LJ Edwards
Andy Palmer	Impact Group Ltd
Neil Pegg	City Circle UK
Peter Rice	Southgate and Finchley Coaches
Ivan Shears	Chalfont Coaches
Stephen Skinner	Skinner's of Oxted
Matt Taylor	Stewarts Coaches
Ivan Thomas	Edward Thomas and Son
Peter Bradley	Director of Administration and Development - LTCOA

1. Apologies for Absence

Mark Anderson	Anderson Travel
Margaret l'Anson	Chandlers Coach Travel
Jim Baxter	London Pullman
Paul Cowell	Honorary Member
Paul Hockley	Redwing Coaches
Deborah Newman	Board Member
David Phillips	London Minicoaches
Steve Spiller	Centurion Travel

Richard Telling	Falcon Coaches
Darren Curd	Wrightsure
David Hull	Wrightsure

2. Minutes of previous meeting AGM 12 March 2018

Agreed and signed by the Chairman

3. Chairman's Report and Review of the Year

The Chairman's report is attached to these minutes

4. Finance report

Stephen Telling reported the following for the year as at 28 February 2018.

- Cash at Bank £17,314
- Debtors £11,827
- Creditors £7,309

Stephen said that the financial position remained challenging, and stressed the importance of sponsorship and gaining new members. It was also proposed that the subscription be raised from £300 to £325 which was agreed by members.

5. Election of Directors

The following members of the LTCOA were re-elected to the Board of Directors for the Association

- Stephen Telling - Chairman
- Judy Dale
- Andy Palmer
- Neil Pegg
- Peter Rice

Stephen Telling said that **Mark Anderson, Paul Hockley and Deborah Newman** had decided to stand down from the board after many years' service. Both Mark, Director of Anderson Travel Ltd and Paul, Managing Director of Redwing Coaches were past Chairman of the association, whilst Debbie, formally of Clarks Coaches has been a board member for many years. Stephen clarified that Anderson Travel, Clarks and Redwing Coaches remain members of the Association.

Stephen said that he was sad to lose Mark, Paul and Debbie after so many years, but respected their decisions in moving forward with new and existing ventures. All have committed time and energy to the association and it would not be in the shape that it is today without their endeavors.

6. Any other business

No items raised

**Chairman's Report - Annual General Meeting
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The past twelve months of the Operation of the Association have been very busy to say the least with the continued lobbying of the London Mayor, TfL and the Boroughs to hopefully try and make it easier for our Members to operate their coaches in and around our capital city.

We have continued to represent our members at meetings with TfL, the London Boroughs, the City of London, Heathrow Airport, FTA and CPT and it would be fair to say our officers have done an excellent job in representing the members and making sure that as far as possible we have put the case for coach operators operating coaches in London

As you are all away our Administration and Development Director Peter Bradley has now been in post since December 2017 and I must say that I think Peter has put his heart and soul in to the LTCOA. Although it might appear we have not achieved a lot we have seen quite a bit of progress in the following areas:

1) Number of Members

We have attracted at least five new members in the past year

2) Picking & Setting Down of Passengers on Red Routes Trail

This is a major successful outcome of many years of hard work by a great many people but I do believe that it is mostly due to the persistence of Peter and his knowledge of the people who work at TfL and perhaps using different negotiating skills. But for this trial to work we will need to make sure that all of our drivers and Clients obey the rules going forward and do not abuse them

During the year we have held

- 7 Members Meetings with various speakers throughout the year
- Members Christmas Dinner at the Pheasant Inn Heathrow
- Annual Dinner & Dance at the Royal Garden Hotel

We now have 39 Member Companies and that will be one of the challenges for Peter going forward for us to increase our Membership numbers

I must say a very big thank you to the Board of Directors of the Association for attending the Board Meetings through the past twelve months and the work that they have done on behalf of the membership of the Association

Overall, I think that the last year has been a successful year for the Association but we cannot afford to sit on our laurels we still have a lot more to achieve going forward into 2018.

Stephen R Telling
Chairman