

NORMANDY HISTORIANS

MINUTES OF THE 35th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held on Tuesday 18th February 2025 at 8.00pm at Normandy Village Hall

1. The Chairperson, Peter Southwell welcomed 20 members and 3 guests, plus our speaker (DR), to the meeting.
2. Apologies for absence received from John Squier and Peter Trevaskis. Peter is in Haslemere Hospital and we wish him a speedy recovery to full health.
3. The Minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting (included in the Annual Report document) were adopted.
4. The Annual Report / Accounts for 2024 were previously circulated to Members by e mail. The Report was taken as read and was adopted by members with no questions.
5. The Accounts showed a total account balance at end of 2024 of £1,932.20. The Accounts were adopted with no questions.
6. Future of open meetings. Regrettably the existing committee does not have sufficient resources to arrange a programme of open meetings for 2026, so as it stands this year's programme of meetings will be the last. The existing committee proposes that from 2026 onwards Historians activities will be limited to researching and documenting the history of the village, maintaining our website, and responding to enquiries from the public about the history of the village. This meeting commences a consultation on this proposal which will end on at the beginning of April when a final decision will be made on the future activities of the Historians.

7. Election of Executive Committee.

The existing committee were prepared to continue in the following positions:

Peter Southwell – Chairperson and Secretary

John Squier – Treasurer (and Membership Secretary)

Committee Members – Alan Norris, Peter Trevaskis, Robert Bodin.

No one else was proposed to join the committee.

8. Any Other Business - Members were reminded of the invitation to attend a celebration of 200 years of the non conformist church in Normandy on Friday 28th March at Emmanuel Church, Glaziers Lane, Normandy. All members are invited.

9. The 36th AGM will be held on Tuesday 17th February 2026.

The AGM concluded at c. 8.10pm.

Following the AGM David Rose gave a talk on Guildford in the 1950s and 60s.