



**Perthshire Society of Natural Science  
Archaeological and Historical Section  
(Registered Charity Number SC012718)**

**Draft minutes of the seventy-third Annual General Meeting, held by videoconference  
on Wednesday 17th March 2021 at 7.00 p.m.**

1. Domestic. Margaret Borland-Stroyan welcomed participants to the first AGM held by videoconference.
2. Apologies were received from Dorothy Alexander and John Jessop.
3. Minutes of the previous AGM, circulated with the AGM papers approved (proposed Irene Green, seconded David Bowler).
4. There were no matters arising from those minutes.
5. Secretary's Report, circulated with AGM papers, approved (proposed John Andrews, seconded Margaret Borland-Stroyan).
6. Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts for 2020/21, circulated with AGM papers. There had been only one transaction during the year - £9.87 for teas. OSCR had agreed that last year's accounts therefore sufficed. Approved (proposed David Perry, seconded John Bennett).
7. Annual Subscriptions. The President explained that the pandemic had interrupted PSNS plans to simplify subscriptions. There might be more information to impart after its AGM on Friday 26th March. No subscriptions would be charged until further notice.
8. Election of Committee Member.  
The Committee co-opted Ms Theresa Hughes as a member on 10 November 2020. It now asked the membership to elect her. Approved (proposed Eva Bennett, seconded Margaret Borland-Stroyan).

<b>Office Bearers</b>	<b>Ordinary members</b>
<i>President: Margaret Borland-Stroyan Vice- President: David Bowler Secretary: Percy Shelley Treasurer: Irene Green</i>	<i>Eva Bennett Theresa Hughes John Andrews David Perry John Jessop Colin McLeod</i>

Archaeological Adviser: Mark Hall, Perth Museum and Art Gallery.

9. Appointment of Examiner of Accounts (David Grant) for 2021-2022 approved (proposed David Bowler, seconded Eva Bennett).
10. AOCB. The President raised two matters. Firstly, the Section wished to resume a programme of outings and talks, but was determined to do so in accordance with legal requirements and the best medical advice. We might on occasion have to arrange a summer outing at short notice. According to current thinking, PSMS would aim to hold physical meetings in the Soutar Theatre this year, streamed live on Zoom. If restrictions prevented physical meetings, talks could continue entirely on Zoom.

Secondly, as mentioned in the Secretary's report, we had sadly lost three Section members: Rose Smith, Donald Myles and Alan Hunter – all longstanding and committed members and popular friends. PSNS member, the late Isabella Wardrop, although not a member of the Section, had also attended some of our meetings. We missed them all.

The President thanked the Committee for their hard work during the year and all present for attending the AGM.

There followed a talk by Derek Hall entitled "A Fair City and a Prosperous Burgh: the Archaeology of Medieval Perth".

\*The death of Mr Hamish Nicholson on 29 January was notified to the PSNS shortly after the AGM