

# MINUTES OF THE LICENSED TRADE CHARITY GENERAL COURT

# Held at Innholders' Hall, WCI, London

On Thursday 21st April 2022

**Present:** Mr Mike Hill (Chairman)

**Trustees:** Mr Roy Boulter (Immediate Past Chairman); Mrs Anita Adams,

Mr Toby Brett, Mr Gerry Cleary, Mr Mike Clist, Mr Pat Duddy,

Mr Ludovick Halik, Mr Ian Inder, Mrs Annette King,

Mr Peter Raynsford, Mrs Pauline Ross, Mr Trevor Sparks,

Mr Paul Wigham & Mr George Wishart

**Apologies:** Mr Ajith Jayawickrema, Mrs Tracy Bird, Mr Jeremy Phillips QC

**In Attendance:** Mr James Brewster (Chief Executive),

Mrs Clare Clark (Executive PA) &

Mr James Hathaway (Director of Finance)

# OPENING, INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME TO THE COURT

1. The Chairman, Mr Mike Hill, opened the General Court at 2.30pm.

He asked those present to pause for a moment of reflection on their memories of stalwarts of the Charity, Mrs Barbara Williams, Mr Eric Morgan and Mr Jeff Booth, following their sad passing since the AGM in October 2021.

The Chairman spoke of his pride at representing the Charity by attending the memorial service of thanksgiving for HRH The Prince Philip.

The Charity continues to face challenges across the schools and he thanked the volunteers and Trustees for giving generously of their time to ensure the Governance of the organisation. Special thanks were recorded to Mr Ian Inder for his many years of service as he steps down from the Trustee Body today.

#### 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COURT

The Minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021 AGM and Court were confirmed on the proposition of lan Inder, seconded by Gerry Cleary and all were in favour.

# 3. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT OF ACTIVITIES INCLUDING CHARITY SERVICES & EDUCATION

Mr James Brewster, Chief Executive, outlined the challenges with recruitment of pupils and staff. He spoke of his hope for a recovery in the future for Elvian Limited income.

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He gave an overview of the Charity's fundraising activities and the partnerships forged by the Charity Services team to continue to provide relevant support to our beneficiaries. The Pedalling for Pubs event had generated a significant amount of industry support and had been well received by all those involved. The Chief Executive concluded that, despite the challenges faced, the Licensed Trade Charity had continued to assist those from the trade, with a marked increase in the levels of emotional support needed. Whilst Mr Ian Inder was retiring from the Trustee Body today, he was delighted that his services would be retained in auditing Charity Services case decisions. The Charity had been honoured to win an Association of Charitable Organisations "Charity of the Year" award. The Chairman thanked the Chief Executive for continuing to steer the organisation through the various challenges. ANY QUESTIONS ON THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT 4. None. ADOPT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT 5. The Report presented today was adopted on the proposition of Ludovick Halik, seconded by Paul Wigham. PROPOSE A VOTE OF THANKS TO THE CHAIRMAN 6. Mr Ian Inder took the opportunity for the last time to congratulate the Chairman on the way he had conducted the meetings today. It had been a pleasure to serve on the Trustee Body and he thanked everyone for their kind words. 7. CLOSE OF COURT The Chairman, Mr Mike Hill, thanked Mr Inder and closed the General Court at 2.43pm