**Minutes of the 101st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 101st Annual General Meeting of North & Western Lancashire Chamber of Commerce (company Number 00145454) was held at The Samlesbury Hotel, Preston, PR5 0UL on Wednesday 29th November 2017 commencing at 12.00 noon.

**NOTICE OF THE MEETING**

Company Secretary – ALAN WELSH

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NORTH & WESTERN LANCASHIRE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CONVENED FOR WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2017, WAS CIRCULATED TO ALL MEMBERS, TOGETHER WITH THE 2016 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS, THE AGENDA, AND MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24TH NOVEMBER 2016.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO OPEN THE 101ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NORTH & WESTERN LANCASHIRE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

1. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING DATED WEDNESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2016**

On a show of hands the minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved.

1. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2016**

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

1. **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS**

Proposed by: DAWN CHEETHAM Seconded by: STEPHEN CHALCRAFT

THAT THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2016, COPIES OF WHICH HAVE ALREADY BEEN CIRCULATED, BE RECEIVED AND ADOPTED.

On a show of hands the Annual Report of Directors was unanimously adopted.

1. **STATEMENT OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS AND BALANCE SHEET FOR 2016**

Proposed by: PETER WHALLEY Seconded by: COLIN WALMSLEY

THAT THE STATEMENT OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS AND BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2016, TOGETHER WITH THE AUDITORS REPORT, COPIES OF WHICH HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED, BE RECEIVED AND ADOPTED.

On a show of hands the Statement of Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet was unanimously adopted.

1. **ELECTION OF HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE CHAMBER**

Proposed by: MICK MAYOR Seconded by: NORMAN TENRAY

THAT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVING BEEN NOMINATED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CHAMBER, BE RE-ELECTED AS HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE CHAMBER FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AND BE THANKED FOR THEIR SERVICES DURING THE YEAR, NAMELY

1. Members of Parliament for:

Blackpool North & Cleveleys

Blackpool South

Chorley

Fylde

Lancaster & Fleetwood

Morecambe & Lunesdale

Preston

Ribble Valley

South Ribble

West Lancashire

Wyre & Preston North

(B) Mr H P Bee MR M Clarke Mr P Mileham

Mr I B Henderson Mr H K Pierce JP

On a show of hands the Honorary Members were unanimously elected to office for the current year.

1. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE COUNCIL**

Proposed by: JOHN LONSDALE Seconded by: GEOFF OLDHAM

THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH CLAUSE 53 OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE CHAMBER, THE FOLLOWING PERSONS BEING ONE THIRD OF THE ELECTED MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, RETIRING BY ROTATION AND NOMINATED BY THE COUNCIL, BE RE-ELECTED AS MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND THAT THANKS OF THE CHAMBER BE EXTENDED TO THEM FOR THEIR PAST SERVICES, NAMELY;

Mr J Boydell – Ampios

Mr S Chalcraft – Shakespeare Martineau

Mrs D Cheetham - CKS

Mr M Clarke – Honorary Member

Mrs J Cole – Blackpool Transport

Mr M Conlon – Conlon Construction

Mr P Dyer – NXO Strategic Marketing Network

Mr T Freshney – WJF Technical Support

On a show of hands the aforementioned Members were unanimously elected to office for the current year.

1. **ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Proposed by: NORMAN TENRAY Seconded by: CARL SPEIGHT

THAT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVING BEEN NOMINATED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CHAMBER, BE CHAIRPERSON OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES, NAMELY;

John Boydell Preston Business Improvement District

On a show of hands the aforementioned Member was unanimously elected to office for the current year.

1. **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS**

Proposed by: PETER WHALLEY Seconded by: STEPHEN CHALCRAFT

THAT MSRRS MOORE & SMALLEY, THE CHAMBERS FOUNDING AUDITOR, BE APPOINTED AS AUDITORS TO THE NORTH & WESTERN LANCASHIRE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

On a show of hands the aforementioned auditors were unanimously appointed for the current year.

1. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business discussed.