

Manchester Microscopical & Natural History Society



142nd Annual General Meeting

Held at Manchester University Medical School
on Thursday 17th March 2022 at 7.30pm

- Members present:** Mike Mahon (President), Phil Slatter, Graham Marsh, Derek Haworth, Steve Dawson, Tom Moon, Chris Power,
- 1. Apologies:** Michael Gilligan (Treasurer), Anne Gilligan (Librarian)
- 2. Minutes of last Meeting:** The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting (141st) held online on 18th March 2021 were approved.
- 3. Matters arising:** None
- 4. President's Report:** Members were welcomed back to 'live' meetings following the pandemic lockdown. Updates (mainly additional images and links) to the website were reported. Acquisition of a set of antique microscope slides mainly produced by AJ Doherty an early member of the MMS was noted.
- 5. Secretary's Report:** Noted the difficulty keeping an up-to-date file of membership during the lockdown.
- 6 Treasurer's Report:** Detailed Written Report provided by Michael Gilligan: Finances continued to remain healthy (£6940.50) similar to last two years. Suggest subscriptions remain at zero for now – depending on Newsletter production.
- 7. Subscriptions for 2022/23:** Agreed, no subscriptions next season.
- 8. Librarian's Report:** None.
[Subsequently noted that Anne Gilligan wished to retire from the post and was thanked for all her hard work.]
- 9. Slide Curator's Report:** None (but see comments on Doherty slide set)
- 10. Meeting Organiser's Report:** 1. No meetings were held since last AGM due to pandemic lockdown.
2. Discussions suggest a mixture of live, online, all day, and field trip meetings desirable. MM to inquire of using this room at weekends
3. Our next meeting is by invitation from Liverpool World Museum to provide a display for World Microscope Day on April 13th & 14th – volunteers welcome.
- 11: Newsletter Editor's Report:** None.
[Subsequently noted the suggestion of online rather than printed Newsletters with special sections only available to members – for discussion at next meeting]

12. Election of Officers:

President	Mike Mahon (President + Meetings) re-elected.
Secretary	Derek Haworth (Membership) re-elected.
Treasurer	Michael Gilligan (Treasurer) re-elected.
Ordinary Members (4)	John Charlton (Curator) re-elected (subject to his agreement). James Battersby (Newsletter) re-elected (subject to his agreement). Vacant (Librarian). Vacant (Events).

13. Any Other Business: None

Meeting ended at 8.00pm & was followed by an online gossip and demonstration session.

- Mike Mahon – The Doherty Slide Set
- Graham Marsh – Demonstration of JB Dancer microscope and slides
- Steve Dawson – Demonstration of own prepared slides
- Chris Power – Demonstration of Klaus Kemp Diatoms & Butterfly Scales, Zeiss microscope & acquisition of very large image files
- For Sale: slide trays & boxes, Watson M17 compound microscope, Kyowa compound microscope