

**PRESENT:** Donna Adams, Ian Clark (Vice Chair), Jody Ball, Julie Colclough, Luke Tinning, Emma McIntosh, Kath Reader, Claire Sandys, Paul Webster, Michael Willmot (Chair), Dave Triggs, Lyn Sharpe, Hilary Robinson, Mark Osborne, Donna Adams, Tim Bellenger.

1.	<b>Apologies for absence</b> Alexa Stott, Rob Mincher (Stone TC), Alison Lloyd, Councillor Tony Holmes (Staffs Moorlands Council)	<b>Action</b>
2.	<b>Open Forum for Questions and Comments</b>  None	
3.	<b>Minutes of the last AGM (09July 2020)</b> The minutes were agreed. There were no matters arising	
4.	<p><b>Chair's Report</b> 15 months since the last AGM – postponed because of the pandemic. Not an easy time but we should celebrate the return of most volunteer activity.</p> <p>The CRP is working to restore confidence in rail travel and to promote leisure travel on its lines recognising travel to work business will be reduced. The Rails to Trails station walks booklet has been a successful contribution to this. Thanks to everyone who helped devise or has tried out the walks.</p> <p>A good and not so good year for the EMR rail service: strengthening of all services to two car and the extension of the route to Nottingham and Newark Castle are appreciated and celebrated, but the service suspension at Alsager September 2020 – May 2021 and the reduction of the whole line service to two hourly from June 2021 have been disappointments. The Sunday service has been disrupted by industrial action but we recognise the hard work train operators have put in to providing some service.</p> <p>Grateful thanks were expressed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All our TOCs: EMR, LNR, Avanti West Coast, CrossCountry and our very supportive contacts there</li> <li>• Our Local Authority Stakeholders: Staffordshire, Cheshire East, Derbyshire, Derby City, and above all Stoke on Trent</li> <li>• All our station volunteers</li> <li>• Our CRPOs Claire Sandys &amp; Emma McIntosh</li> <li>• Paul Webster?</li> </ul>	
5.	<p><b>CRPO Report</b></p> <p><b>CS and EM presented a summary of their CRP activities over the last year. These can be found in <i>On Track</i>, the CRP's annual report, available on the Home page of the NSCRP website: <a href="http://The Website of the North Staffordshire Community Rail Partnership">The Website of the North Staffordshire Community Rail Partnership</a> (<a href="http://northstaffsrail.org.uk">northstaffsrail.org.uk</a>)</b></p>	
6.	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b> Julie Colclough presented the treasurer's report for period 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021.</p> <p>This is shown in the printed annual report</p>	

	The meeting accepted the accounts and the Chair thanked Julie for her work on these.	
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Confirmation of membership of the Management Group</b></p> <p>The current membership of the Management Group was circulated with the AGM papers. The AGM marks the end of membership terms for Austin Hannaby and Peter Cousins. The Chair reported that Marika Latham had recently offered her resignation due to other commitments. The Chair thanked all the retiring members for their service and noted that Peter had been a founder member of the Management Group 16 years ago. His knowledge of rail operating matters will be much missed and his long service is especially appreciated.</p> <p>Luke Tinning, volunteer at Tutbury &amp; Hatton had agreed to serve on the Management Group and was welcomed to that role.</p> <p>There is space for additional members from the community/volunteers on the management group.</p>	
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Election of Chair and Vice-chair</b></p> <p>Claire called for nominations for each post. For Chair, Mike Willmot was proposed and seconded; for Vice-chair, Ian Clark was proposed and seconded. There were no other nominations for either post and both were duly elected for a further term.</p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>none</p>	
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Date &amp; Time of next AGM</b></p> <p>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 5.00 pm</p>	

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