

MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 25th February 2026
The Riverside

Present: Nicki Culver and Ray Nash, Gavin and Dawn Stride, Louise Smith, Chris Searle, Adam Benjamin, Ross Yates, Nick Chater, Fergus Moffatt, Michele and Enzo Taylor, Marie Headon

1. Apologies: Jo Tapper, Rita Bailey, Jon Stewart, Chris Key, Steve Coom
2. Quorum
Chair Ross Yates notified the members that the meeting was quorate being that 8 or more members were present of which 2 are from the current executive committee, therefore, the AGM continued. The membership thanked the officers and the wider membership for their dedication, hard work and goodwill over the last year.
3. Minutes of the AGM
Agreed. Proposed by Chris. Seconded by Fergus. All in favour.
4. Matters arising from the previous AGM
None.
5. Annual report
The chair gave a narrative annual report to the membership.
6. Inspected accounts
The Financial Year of the BCTC starts on 1st January and end on 31st December each year. The outgoing Treasurer Chris Searle gave a narrative on the BCTC finances which a detailed statement is attached the minutes and will be sent to be audited externally of which a record will be handed to the secretary.
7. Membership
Membership fees for the coming year are fixed at each Annual General Meeting on recommendations to be made by the Executive. It was recommended and voted on that for the current year 2025, the fees be set at £25. Proposed by Chris, seconded by Dawn, all in favour. A reminder that subscriptions are due on 1st March and the membership secretary will notify existing members shortly which must be paid by BACS or DD, not cash or cheque.
8. Election of officers

Chairperson - Ross proposed by Adam, seconded by Louise. All in favour.
Secretary - Nikki proposed by Louise seconded by Nick. All in favour.
Treasurer - Chris proposed by Nick seconded by Ray. All in favour.
Membership - Gavin proposed by Nick seconded Ray. All in favour.

Co-opted:

Nick Chater, Fergus Moffat, Louise Smith, Adam Benjamin

Proposed by Chris, seconded by Dawn. All in favour.

9. 2026 meeting dates

The following meetings have been set for the 2026 membership at 6:30pm at a venue to be determined nearer the date:

Wednesday 10th June

Wednesday 9th September

Wednesday 11th November

Wednesday 10th February 2027 (Annual General Meeting)

Should any additional activities or issues arise, additional meetings will be organised and publicised.

COMMENCEMENT OF THE BCTC GENERAL MEETING

1. Minutes of the meeting

Agreed. Proposed by Ross. Seconded by Chris. All in favour.

2. Matters arising from the previous meeting

None.

3. Any other notified business

3.1 First aid training

A level 3 award in Emergency First Aid at Work is being hosted by the Chamber on Monday 16th March 2026 at the Boscastle Community & Recreation Centre. This is a 1-day, Ofqual-regulated course designed to meet employer responsibilities under the Health & Safety (First Aid) Regulations and to equip attendees with the skills needed to respond confidently in emergency situations. For more information and sign up, please see your email.

3.2 Car park parking order

The upcoming parking order is due to be determined by Cornwall Council. The Chamber made prior representation in the consultation to lobby for summer and winter differential tariff and a change of timings from 9am to 4pm to move back to 10am to 5pm.

4. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 10th June 2026 at 6.30pm at a venue to be determined nearer the time.