

Hart Liberal Democrats ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING To be held at 7.30 pm on Friday 3 November 2023 in Room 2, The Elizabeth Hall, Raven Road, Hook, Hampshire RG27 9HH

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Introduction
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Minutes of AGM held on 18 November 2022 and matters arising.
- 4. Reports from:
 - 4.1 Chair
 - 4.2 Treasurer
 - 4.3 Liberal Democrat Groups of
 - (4.3.1 4.3.5)

- 4.3.1 Hampshire County Council
- 4.3.2 Hart District Council
- 4.3.3 Yateley Town Council
- 4.3.4 Blackwater & Hawley Town Council
- 4.3.5 Fleet Town Council

5. To note the Accounts for 2022 The 2022 Accounts were approved by the Executive and sent to the Chief Executive at Party HQ before the end of March 2023. Therefore, the accounts have been approved and only need to be noted.

- 6. Appointment of Independent Examiner for the 2023 Local Party Accounts
- 7. Election of Officers:

7.1	Chair	7.6	Data Officer
7.2	Vice Chair (up to 2)	7.7	Press Officer
7.3	Secretary	7.8	Fund Raising Officer
7.4	Treasurer	7.9	Elections Officer
7.5	Membership Development Officer	7.10	Diversity and Inclusion Officer

8. Election of 8 Ordinary Members of Executive Committee The constitution specifies that other members of the Executive Committee are appointed by various bodies within the Local Party. Note: the existing Committee remains in office until 31 December 2023.

9. Appointment of Committees In addition to appointing members to each committee, one member of each committee should be designated to convene the first meeting of that committee in 2024. 9.3

- 9.1 Campaign Committee (7)
- Policy and Messaging Committee (9)
- 9.2 Fundraising and Membership Committee (9)
- 9.4 Approval Committee (10)



10. Selection of Candidates for May 2024 elections

Hart District Council (with number of seats)

- 10.1
 Blackwater & Hawley (1)
 10.5
 Odiham (1)

 10.2
 Fleet East (1)
 10.6
 Yateley East (1)
- 10.3 Hartley Wintney (1)
- 10.4 Hook (1)

11. Constitutional Amendment

The new Constitution approved by the 2022 AGM has been provisionally approved by Region, which requested the restoration of optional section 10.8, which had been omitted from the draft submitted to the AGM. The Executive meeting held on 27 January 2022 therefore proposed the following motion: that section 10.8 should be:

10.7

Yateley West (1)

10.8 Such property as the Local Party may own or lease (whether physical or held in long-term investments) shall be acquired, held and disposed of through a Trust.

For a new trust, the Local Party Executive Committee shall appoint five Trustees to manage the asset on behalf of the Local Party who shall hold office for a period of five years but be eligible for reappointment by the Executive and if at any time the number of trustees shall fall below five immediate steps shall be taken by the Executive to appoint a new trustee. A document (which may be the trust deed) shall be drawn up setting out the responsibilities and indemnification of the Trustees in carrying out their duties on behalf of the Local Party. This document should be signed by the Chair and Treasurer of the Local Party and the appointed trustees.

For an existing trust, the Executive Committee shall follow the above procedure as closely as possible, consistent with the trust deeds.

12. Motion: "In the event of any candidate for the elections in May 2024 having to withdraw or be replaced, the AGM delegates to the Local Party Executive Committee the selection of a replacement candidate, as well as the selection of remaining candidates."

Nominations are invited for candidates for office. Nominations can be posted or emailed to John Keane prior to the start of the AGM or they can be made verbally during the meeting up to agenda item 7, Election of Officers.