



## RSPBA North West England Branch

AGM 4<sup>th</sup> December 2012 at Padgate Community Centre.

A quorum **was** attained within one half hour after the 13:00 (1PM) start time of the meeting {rule 14.1 Five Band Representatives entitled to vote shall form a quorum at Branch Meetings}.

P Brown	Secretary
J Thomson	Chairman
C Eyre	President, Treasurer & Webmaster
T Brown	Music Board representative
P Brown	National Council representative

### Welcome

The representatives of the bands in the branch were welcomed by Jeff Thomson the branch chairman at Padgate.

Apologies were received from:-

City of Liverpool Pipe Band

Bands in attendance:-

City of Sheffield Pipe Band

Oldham Scottish Pipe Band

Warrington Pipe Band 2004

Greater Manchester Army Cadet Force

Wirral Pipe Band

Chorley Pipe Band

Bands who are being reported to the Branch who have not paid their 2011/12 subscriptions are:-

- 1) Bolton Scottish Pipe Band.
- 2) Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Pipe Band Grade 4
- 3) Henderson Caledonian.
- 4) West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service Pipe Band

Bands in the branch who have paid their 2010/11 subscriptions:-

- 1) Chorley Pipe Band.
- 2) City of Liverpool Pipes & Drums.
- 3) City of Preston Pipes and Drums.
- 4) City of Sheffield Pipe Band.
- 5) Greater Manchester ACF Pipe Band
- 6) Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service Pipe Band – 2003.
- 7) Greater Manchester Pipe Band
- 8) Oldham Scottish Pipe Band.

- 9) Scots Guards Association Pipe Band Manchester.
- 10) South Cheshire Pipe Band.
- 11) Warrington Pipe Band – 2004.
- 12) Wirral Pipe Band.

It is important that the paid up bands support their branch and the volunteer officials, it is now time to “**use it or lose it**”.

### **2010/11 Accounts**

The 2011 accounts have been prepared. They were issued at the last GM and a copy has already been sent to headquarters. This has been a good year for the branch; costs have been kept to a minimum by use of adjudicators that can make use of low cost flights.

Motion to accept the Accounts:

Prop: Oldham Scottish Pipe Band.

Sec: Warrington Pipe Band – 2004.

Accepted: Unanimous

### **Branch executives for 2011/12**

The holders of the posts due for election in 2011 have agreed to be considered again for a further term of office (three years) until 2014. Motion to ratify the candidates was unanimous.

Post		In Post until	
President	C Eyre	Dec 2014	Prop: City of Sheffield Pipe Band Sec: Warrington Pipe Band 2004
Chairman	J Thomson	Dec 2014	Prop: City of Sheffield Pipe Band Sec: Wirral Pipe Band
Secretary	P Brown	Dec 2014	Prop: Oldham Scottish Pipe Band Greater Sec: Greater Manchester ACF.
Treasurer	C Eyre	<b>Dec 2012</b>	Prop: Oldham Scottish Pipe Band. Sec: City of Liverpool Pipes and Drums
Music Board	T Brown	<b>Dec 2013</b>	Prop: Warrington Pipe Band – 2004. Sec: Oldham Scottish Pipe Band.
National Council	P Brown	<b>Dec 2013</b>	Prop: City of Liverpool Pipes and Drums Sec: Wirral Pipe Band
Trophy Steward, Web Site Design and Competition Secretary	C Eyre	<b>Dec 2013</b>	Prop: Oldham Scottish Pipe Band. Sec: City of Sheffield Pipe Band

The Pipe Band Magazine representative is Calum Brown. Details of branch competitions and results forwarded to Pipe Band Magazine.

### **2011/12 Branch Levy**

Discussion on the Branch Levy that member bands are asked to pay to support the branch.

The Levy must be paid if the band wishes to take part in Branch arranged activities. A

motion was put forward to keep the Levy at its current level of £40:00.

Prop: Wirral Pipe Band

Sec: Warrington Pipe Band – 2004.

Accepted: Unanimous.

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- 1) AGM RSPBA 10 March, think of proxy votes.
- 2) Query on accounts answered in full.

AGM

Closed @ 13:45.

P L Brown  
Secretary  
NWE Branch