

## NCMD AGM 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2022 – Key Points

This was the first face-to-face NCMD meeting since before lockdown.

**PRESENT** – Wendy Howard (Chair) Alan Tamblyn (General Secretary) Siobhan Lihne (Treasurer) William Hargreaves (Asst General Secretary) David Millington (Membership Secretary) Dave Crisp (Communications Officer) Catherine Lange (Individual members Delegate) Kevin Gorman (North-West region Delegate) Alastair Hackett & Lesley Sleith (Scottish Region Delegates – via Zoom)

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS** – the following Officers were elected / re-elected by unanimous vote.

General secretary	Alan Tamblyn	Ratification of previous vote
Communications Officer	Dave Crisp	Ratification of previous vote
Chair	Wendy Howard	
Treasurer	Siobhan Lihne	
Central Register Delegate	Catherine Lange	
Honorary President	Alastair Hackett	

**FINANCIAL REPORT** - The comprehensive financial report was adopted unanimously and is attached to these minutes, the group thanked Siobhan Lihne for her hard work and dedication in both her role as Treasurer and in the development of the new systems.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT** – Another comprehensive detailed report which is attached to these minutes, the members present were unanimous in their appreciation of David Millington’s hard work in updating and managing the new membership system.

**CAPITAL EXPENDITURE** – The followings items were discussed and unanimously agreed upon.

**Digging Deep** – This year there will be a Digging Deep issued around Xmas time. In future years there will be two issues, one in June and one in December

**Christmas raffle £10,000** – we will again be organising this annual raffle which has become a firm favourite with our members.

**Communications contractor** – Following the sterling successes of the past months, it was unanimously decided to renew the contract of the external Communications contractor for another year. This would be on a reduced contract of 8hrs per month.

**Finds competitions** – There are some exciting new changes planned for our annual find’s competitions including the junior event. Adrian Gayler has kindly offered to organise and host these events on our behalf and all NCMD members will be invited to participate. We will keep you updated on our progress.

**System Upgrades** – Following the successful launch of the new website and Mobile App, there are a number of upgrades that have been requested by members to both sites. These have been agreed and are currently being worked on by our web team. We will keep you informed of progress.

**FUND MANAGEMENT** – It has long been the aim of the NCMD to accrue and set aside an amount of money that will be sufficient to support our members with legal assistance should our hobby ever become the victim of legislation. We have achieved this aim and are now actively seeking the most suitable method of having this ‘Fighting Fund’ safely ringfenced and protected but accessible in an emergency. We will keep members informed on our progress.

**NCMD MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE** – The NCMD has operated the current regional management system since its inception over 40 years ago. With the growing upsurge in membership in recent years, almost all of which are individual members, it has rendered the regional system of management obsolete.

The current NCMD Executive Committee along with the Current Officers are in complete agreement that change is required to modernise the Management structure of our organisation.

Everyone concerned is working extremely hard on behalf of the organisation and all our members will be kept abreast of the progress on this issue.

**FUTURE MEETING DATES**

OGM 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2022

OGM 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023

AGM & OGM 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023

OGM 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS** – Recent complaints from members regarding finds which have been left with their FLO’s and subsequently been mislaid are being taken very seriously by the NCMD, who have now lodged a ‘freedom of information request’ with the PAS to ascertain the exact position Nationwide, as to the number of finds which have been mislaid or lost. We will keep everyone in touch as this situation progresses