

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

5.30pm

19th July 2022

Login Business Lounge, Park Street, Camberley.

Present at AGM :

Name	Company
Chris Burrows	AJ Bennewith & Co
Richard Butcher	Stratagem Business Solutions
Sarah Butcher	Surrey Chambers of Commerce
Stephen Carson	Signal Hill Partnership
Steve Coburn	Projectfive
Namrata Faheem	Nescot
Chris Hurren	RSM
John Lloyd	Blue Dot Display Ltd
Tony Lynch	Keep Thinking Big
Daniel Morgan	Haines Watts Chartered Accountants – Esher
Tamalie Newbery	Brooklands Museum Trust Ltd
Louise Punter	Surrey Chambers of Commerce
Peter Quilter	Peter Quilter
Ges Ray	Speaking in Public
Warren Sadler	Morr & Co – Camberley
Keith Smith	Interactive Consultancy Services
Mike Turner	You Become Ltd
Tara Wavre	Surrey Chambers of Commerce
Dan Webber	Chimney Fire Coffee Ltd

1) To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 8th June 2021:

Proposed by Warren Sadler
Seconded by Richard Butcher
All in favour of approving.

2) To receive the Report of the President for the year ended June 2022.

Surrey Chambers update

2021-2022

Another unusual year for the Chamber- although more opportunities for us to support businesses through the continued challenges of:

- Covid,
- Brexit
- The war in Ukraine and resulting supply chain issues
- Recruitment crisis
- Cost of living crisis
- Uncertainty in the political arena

Surrey Chambers Team

The Surrey Chambers team has continued to support businesses with much information, signposting and creation of helpful support. Some examples are:

- Second cohort of the Start-up Academy ran successfully with some fantastic feedback. Not only did the delegates get a huge amount out of it but a significant amount of work was also created between delegates and between delegates and expert presenters.
- Surrey Business Accelerator was created bringing 4 investors in front of 50 business owners who are still in the process of bidding for investment. This will continue with more investors and more business owners coming together.
- What started as a small project, supporting the Kickstart scheme became a significant area of activity. 400 young people were placed with Employers, and we already know of 30 who have been retained (More info to be gathered) and 20 who went on to other full time jobs



- We are now offering the full International Trade service with CustomDeclarations included although there have been some reductions in IT due to the many issues already mentioned

Surrey Chambers Council input

- Massive thanks to the Council of Surrey Chambers who have continued to feedback on what was happening on the ground which we have been able to share with various Ministers and Civil Servants

Membership

- Membership has started to grow again after a dip last year.
- Once again we have not introduced any increases this year to keep our membership affordable
- The Executive Partner membership has grown to nearly 20 and they have enjoyed a series of exclusive events bringing some of the larger companies together to discuss topical subjects in great venues.

Events

- We have returned to a great program of face to face events welcoming over 250 attendees over the last 6 months
- The Surrey Business Awards have been launched this year with the celebration event taking place 3rd November

Projects

- We have been successful with a couple of projects for Woking BC delivering events and an International Trade Forum
- Surrey Chambers has taken the Employer Representative Body lead on a Local Skills Plan for Surrey, which essentially enables businesses to have as much say in what training provision is available locally. We await designation but once that is granted the Chamber will be reaching out to all businesses for input.

Our asks of you

- Please fill in the Quarterly Economic Survey once a quarter-it enables us to speak with uthority on the state of the local economy
 - Keep telling us what you need to be successful (Access to skills, your own training, what sort of events, what services etc)
 - Use local businesses for your supply chain where possible
 - Enter the Surrey Business Awards
- 3) To receive the statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021
Proposed by Peter Quilter
Seconded by Tony Lynch
All in favour of approving.
- 4) To elect Council members for the ensuing year:

Mike Turner	youbecome Ltd
Dan Morgan	Haines Watts
Jaz Blake	Perfect Presentation Training Ltd
Jake Galvin	Klarity Works
Warren Sadler	Morr & Co
Harvey Ockrim	Satelliet
Steve Coburn	projectfive
Peter Quilter	Finance Consultant
Martine Robins	The HR Dept Surrey Hills
Adrian Shanks	Surrey Business School, University of Surrey
Anna Drees	No Grey Area
Clive Stone	Oakleaf Enterprise
Grant Bourhill	Surrey Research Park
Giles Thomas	Manor Collection
Jackie Denyer	Professional Training Solutions Ltd
Matt Pinches	Guildford Shakespeare
Richard Butcher	Stratagem Business Solutions
Richard Essex	Grayside Ltd

Sarah Butcher	Surrey Chambers of Commerce
Stuart McOnie	Semmco Ltd
Tamalie Newbery	Brooklands Museum Trust Ltd
Stephen Carson	Signal Hill Partnership
Tony Lynch	Keep Thinking Big
Jarmila Yu	YUnique Marketing Ltd
Matt Letley	Impact for Good
Chris Hurren	RSM UK LLP

Proposed by Mike Turner
 Seconded by Dan Morgan
All in favour of approving.

5) To confirm the Board of Directors for the coming year

Mike Turner	youbecome Ltd
Dan Morgan (Chamber President)	Haines Watts
Jaz Blake	Perfect Presentation Training Ltd
Louise Punter	Surrey Chambers of Commerce
Warren Sadler	Morr & Co
Harvey Ockrim	Satelliet
Steve Coburn (Immediate past President)	projectfive
Peter Quilter (Vice President)	Finance Consultant
Martine Robins	The HR Dept Woking & Guildford

Proposed by Tamalie Newbery
 Seconded by Chris Hurren
All in favour of approving.

6) Louise Punter thanks Steve Coburn for his time as President of Surrey Chambers, and welcomes the new President, Dan Morgan of Haines Watts.



Meeting closed.