

**MINUTES OF THE 2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
FEDERATION OF PRIVATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATIONS LTD
Held at 7.10pm on Thursday 8 November 2012 in Hamilton House, Mabledon Place,
London WC1H 9BD**

Present: FPRA Committee Members: Robert Smytherman (Chairman), Dick Williams (Vice-Chairman), Michael Derome (Hon Treasurer), Muriel Guest-Smith, Stephen Guy (Website Designer), Philippa Turner, Robert Levene.

In Attendance: Nick Roberts (Legal Adviser) and the following Hon. Consultants: Bernie Wales, Yashmin Mistry, Shula Rich, Chiara Gorodesky and Nic Shulman.

Members representing over 25 Associations were also present as well as many attending the associated conference where about 250 people attended.

1. Confirmation of a quorum. The Chairman confirmed this was so.

Proxy forms were received from 15 members.

2. Apologies for absence were received from Anne Ellson (Hon. Consultant), Martin Coleraine (Hon Consultant), Martin Redman (Hon Consultant), Andrew Pridell (Hon Consultant), Leigh Shapiro (Hon. Consultant), numerous MPs, individuals and Associations.

3. Chairman's opening remarks. The Chairman again welcomed everyone to the AGM and said how delighted he was with the earlier speakers and he also thanked the sponsors of the separate conference and leaseholder event. He thanked the admin office and the event organisers.

4. Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 9 November 2011. Approval was proposed by David Smalley, Rocquaine Court RA and was seconded by Colin Cohen of 278 Hale Lane Mgt Ltd. They were passed unanimously.

5. To receive and adopt the Report and Accounts for the financial year end 31 March 2012. Mike Derome reviewed the accounts which showed a surplus of £4,796. FPRA's had a healthy bank balance so the financial situation was satisfactory. Approval of the accounts was proposed by Mr Peter Sutton of Thomas A Beckett RA Ltd and seconded by Mr Robert Franck of Linden Field RM Co. The proposal was passed unanimously.

6. To reappoint auditors for the current year.

This was proposed by Mike Derome and seconded by Colin Cohen of 278 Hale Lane Mgt Ltd. The motion was passed unanimously.

7 To elect and reappoint officers to serve on the Executive Committee.

Mike Derome, Stephen Guy and Muriel Guest-Smith were standing for re-election and this was proposed by David Smalley, Rocquaine Court RA and was seconded by Colin Cohen of 278 Hale Lane Mgt Ltd. They were passed unanimously. Questions were asked about the roles of the committee and Peter Cocks of Coppice Park (Draycott) Mgt Co Ltd, Peter Sutton of Thomas A Beckett RA Ltd, Ruth Appleton, Simon Haswell and Roger Trigg all expressed interest on joining the committee and it was agreed that they be invited to the next committee meeting and will be co-opted. Colin Cohen offered to become an honorary consultant.

8. To transact any other ordinary business of which due notice has been given. None had been received.

9. Any Other Business. Various discussions took place on communication, and leasehold issues. Julian Lang of Sussex Heights (Brighton) asked about 2 associations on one estate and this is to be discussed at the next committee meeting. Our Constitution does not preclude this.

Following the end of formal business at 8.05pm, members were invited to stay for the balance of the conference and to speak to the Executive Committee.