Seaford Community Partnership

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Seaford Community

Partnership held at the Clinton Centre on Friday 24th October 2025 at 7pm.

Present: Keith Blackburn, Richard Wright, Richard Honeyman, Rod Buchanan,

Jeff Lock and Jane Keel & members of the public. Total 21 attendees.

Apologies: Mike Roper, Stephanie Summers, Ted Hart, Simon MacFarlane, Mike Logan, Ruth Young, Neal Richardson, Steve Quayle, Mike Vingoe, Christine Brett, and Rodney Read.

1. Minutes of the AGM of 2024 agreed without dissent.
2. Accounts for the last financial year approved without dissent.
3. Election of Directors for 3 years. Keith Blackburn, Richard Wright, Richard Honeyman & Mike Roper were re-elected for a further 3 years. Jeff Lock and Jane Keel were elected for 3 years.
4. Update on current Partnership Projects.
   a) Extension of Ouse Valley Nature Reserve – Charlie Grimble gave an interesting update. The object is to extend the Reserve from 100 to 300 acres, from A259 to the sea. Much of the land is owned by the Port Authority but other parts of the land are owned by farmers. A new wetland reserve will be created, and it is looking to be flood absorbing. Fortunately, the National Park Authority has taken on the management of the project.
   b) Encouraging Cycling in Seaford – Keith Blackburn reported that a report had been produced by a consultant. Priority was for a route from the town centre through Steyne Road to Arundel Road to encourage cycling to Seaford Head School However the cost of doing this is very high.
   c) Cliff Gardens Project - Hilary Miflin reported that, after many trials and tribulations, work had finally started on the gardens the previous day. Congratulations are due to all who have toiled on this for so long. Three grants were received and funds amount to over £200,000. Christian Funnell has completed the manufacture of the three buoys ready for installation after some of the beds had been constructed. Many plants have already been received and will overwinter in green fingered volunteers' homes prior to planting out in the spring.
5. Presentation by Charlie Grimble on 'the Seaford Heritage Trail 22 years on' was very well received and some questions were fielded with great knowledge.
6. The meeting closed at 8.43 pm.