

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our Annual General Meeting will be held in the Common Room, Sackville Hall, Church Road , East Grinstead. Starting at 19:30 Thursday 22nd January 2026.

Neil Hancock is offering himself for re-election as Chairman.

Brian Akehurst is offering himself for re-election as Treasurer.

Steve Metcalfe is offering himself for re-election.

Anyone who would like to stand for any of the Officer positions should make their interest known before or during the meeting.

There are a number of non-elected positions and roles, both Committee and non-Committee, which are appointed as needed by the Officers. If anyone would like to offer their services for any positions or roles, there are plenty of jobs to be done!

1. Agenda

1. Apologies for absence

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Available online at https://ashplats.org/#documents/AGM_Minutes_2024.pdf

3. Chairman's Report

4. Treasurers Report

5. Election of Officers

- a. Chairman
- b. Secretary
- c. Treasurer
- d. Committee Members

6. Discussion of recruitment and retention of volunteers.

- We need people able to run tasks.
- Glendale Rangers are starting a weekday group.

7. Discussion of Social Media Strategy

- Look at what Gravetye are achieving.
- Could we move from the mailing list to a subscription service?

8. Task Suggestions and discussion.

- Continue monitor condition of the meadow.
- Sycamores in Scout Land (February task).
- Rhododendron control.
- Owl Path now safe to work.
 - Getting a brushcutter and operator certifications.
- Coppicing.
- Ponds.
 - Alfreds. Do we have the resources for a September task?
 - Cranston. Was the silt removal effective?
- Litter Pick (skipping a year).
- Glendale Volunteers – Aligning our work with theirs.

9. Surveys and Environmental Monitoring

- Dormice (Steve)
 - What we learnt from last years pilot study
- Bats and Newts
- Butterfly transect (Elaine)
- iNaturalist update
 - Fungi
 - Meadow survey

10. Any Other Business

The formal part of the meeting will be followed by refreshments.

Neil Hancock
ACG Chair