# MINUTES OF THE 83rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BRITISH TRUST FOR ORNITHOLOGY

The 83rd Annual General Meeting of the British Trust for Ornithology was held by videoconference on Saturday 3 December 2022 at 3:00pm. The Chair of the Board, Prof Jenny Gill, presided, and 104 members attended remotely.

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

#### 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the 82nd Annual General Meeting held on 5 December 2021 were approved, nem con.

#### 3. TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

Prof Gill introduced the Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022.

A short film entitled BTO in 2022, highlighting some of the significant achievements of the year, was shown.

The Honorary Treasurer Mr Ian Packer introduced the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022.

There were questions from the floor on the Board's investment policy, comparisons to the last pre-Covid year, the group accounting structure, ethical investments, legacy income and the impact of homeworking.

The resolution to receive the Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 was agreed, *nem con*.

### 4. TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

There were six vacancies arising from the expiry of the terms of office of Jenny Gill, Frances Hurst, Ian Packer, David Parker, Nick Sherwin and Jean Spencer. Following an open recruitment process conducted by the Governance and Nominations Committee, the Board proposed that the following be elected to serve a four year term ending on 31 December 2026:

- i Zoe Davies (Chair)
- ii Jane Miller (Hon Treasurer)
- iii Emma Dresser
- iv Paul Fitzpatrick
- v Emma Thornton
- vi Joel Ziff

The proposal was agreed nem con.

## 5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The Board proposed that Ensors Chartered Accountants be re-appointed as auditors to the Trust, and this was agreed *nem con*.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 3:45pm.	
Chair	