



NOTICE OF THE 9th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

At 1:15pm at Ravenshead Village Hall on 29th March 2025

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence.
2. Minutes of the AGM of 13th April 2024.
3. Trustee's Report for 2024.
4. Statement and Adoption of Accounts for 2024.
5. Membership Subscriptions.
6. Election of Trustees and Officers.
7. Appointment of an Independent Examiner.
8. Any Other Business.

Election of Trustees and Officers

Ruth Strong's co-option onto the Committee needs to be confirmed.

Currently there are five Trustees. It is a requirement that at each AGM one third of the Trustees shall stand down and can offer themselves for re-election and it is usual that those who have been longest in office retire, though can be re-elected.

For the year 2025 the following Trustees will retire and all have confirmed that they are willing to be nominated for re-election:

Adrian Gray: Nominated by David Barton, Seconded by Bob Massey

David Barton: Nominated by David Anderson, Seconded by Ruth Strong

The following trustees remain in office: David Anderson, Bob Massey and Ruth Strong (who was co-opted onto the Committee during 2024).

There are three Officers (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) who stand down each year and can offer themselves for re-election. They have all confirmed that they are willing to be nominated for re-election.

They are:

Chairman; Bob Massey: Nominated by David Anderson, Seconded by David Barton

Secretary: David Barton: Nominated by David Anderson, Seconded by Ruth Strong

Treasurer: David Anderson: Nominated by Bob Massey, Seconded by Adrian Gray

Vacancies: The Constitution allows for up to 10 Trustees, which means there are vacancies for five additional Trustees who must be members of NLHA and be nominated by another member.

Anyone wishing to be a Trustee should send their nomination to the Secretary at secretary@nlha.org.uk by 22nd March 2025



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

At 1.15 at Ravenshead Village Hall on 13 April 2024

- 1) There were apologies for absence from Rowena Edlin-White, Miriam Jackson, Judith Mills and Sarah Seaton.
- 2) The minutes of the 2023 AGM were accepted.
- 3) The Trustees' Report for 2023 was accepted.
- 4) Treasurer's Reports. Statement of Accounts for 2022 was accepted.
- 5) Membership Subscriptions. The Committee's recommendation for no change was accepted.
- 6) Election of Officers and Committee Members. The following Trustees and Committee members were elected 'en bloc':

Chair: Bob Massey

Secretary: David Barton

Treasurer: David Anderson

Other Committee members and Trustees: Adrian Gray, Jeremy Lodge, Judith Mills, Sarah Seaton and Chris Weir.

- 7) Ian Lewis was appointed as the Independent Examiner.
- 6) Any Other Business:
 - The meeting was advised that the autumn NLHA Forum would be held on Saturday October 26th at Ravenshead Village Hall.
 - The first Narrow Marsh Forum will be held at the Nottingham Central Library from 10am to 12pm on Saturday May 11th.

Nottinghamshire Local History Association Annual Report 2024/25

Forums

During 2024, Nottinghamshire Local History Association (NLHA) held two Local History Forums at Ravenshead Village Hall. Both were well attended.

The Spring 2024 Local History Forum took place on April 13th and featured Martin Stott speaking on 'The Humour of Hole', Kate Foster on 'DH Lawrence, Jessie Chambers and the Hags Farm connection', Jeremy Lodge on 'Stories of the Nottingham to Lincoln railway and its neighbours' and Adrian Gray on 'Worksop, witches and a place in American history: the life of Richard Bernard'.

The Autumn 2024 Forum was held on Saturday October 26th and featured Philip Jones on 'Historic Gardens of Nottinghamshire'; Karen Winyard on Rufford Abbey and its 19th century Savile custodians'; Keith Small on 'The River Trent in the landscape and history; David Barton on 'The regicide and the authoress: John and Lucy Hutchinson of Owthorpe'.

The 2025 Forums will be held on Saturday 29th March and Saturday 25th October.

Media

The NLHA website continues in operation.

The Association has two Facebook pages: 'Nottinghamshire Local History Association' and 'Nottinghamshire History'. The former has 3930 followers and the latter 2704. The numbers for both are increasing steadily.

Both have links encouraging people to sign up for the free e-mailed NLHA Newsletter; this newsletter is sent out every other month to 563 addresses, of whom 160 are members. We have been able to expand the number of societies whose events are covered within it, although not all have joined the NLHA itself.

Two issues of 'The Nottinghamshire Historian' have been published in 2024.

The Narrow Marsh Forum

Together with the Thoroton Society, the Nottingham Women's History Group and Nottingham Civic Society, NLHA is sponsoring the new Nottingham Central Library's Narrow Marsh Forum's series of free public Nottingham History talks. Four have been held to date, with four arranged for 2025, tying in with exhibitions or anniversaries.

Grants

Grants of £200 were each awarded to an organisation and to an individual author. NLHA grants are intended to support the dissemination of research on subjects pertinent to the history of the county. Normally they help with the cost of publication but with the cost of permanent displays or even attendance at a relevant conference or other event.

Committee membership

Three long-serving Committee members (Jeremy Lodge, Judith Mills and Chris Weir) have stepped down from the Committee; we are pleased that Ruth Strong has joined us.

Treasurer and Membership Reports for financial year ending December 31st 2024

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

- Cash assets at end of year: £20,407.43
- Cash movement during year: Increase of £1,240.99
- Expenses: Decrease in Information Technology expenses compared to previous year due partly to change of hosting company and new hosting company's reduction in monthly charges for initial 6 months.

GRANTS

- £200 to the author Janet London towards the printing costs of her publication "*Headdon – The High Hill.*"
- £200 to the Nottingham Woman's History Group towards the printing costs of their publication "*Nottingham Herstory – 50 Remarkable Women*"

2026 SUBSCRIPTION RATES

The Committee are recommending that membership subscription rates for 2026 should remain unchanged at: Individual - £10, Joint £12.50, Organisation - £15

MEMBERSHIP

At the end of 2024 membership stood at 180 (2023 – 188) made up of:

Individuals: 128 (2023 – 130)

Organisations: 52 (2023 – 58)

David Anderson

Treasurer/Membership Secretary

March 3rd 2025

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR: 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

RECEIPTS	This Year	Last Year	EXPENDITURE	This Year	Last Year
Membership subscriptions	2,042.50	2,257.50	<u>Administration</u>		
Web hosting income	400.00	370.00	Audit fee	100.00	100.00
Gift Aid	226.23	235.42	BALH Sub (including insurance)	75.00	75.00
Nottinghamshire Historian sales	325.54	304.02	Electrical appliance testing		15.00
Bank interest	518.87	245.13	Equipment purchase	77.93	
Spring Forum admission fees	273.12	347.60	Postage	416.15	343.21
Autumn Forum admission fees	439.12	410.60	Printing	801.25	753.50
			Stationery	11.98	42.18
			PayPal fees	0.45	0.99
			Information Technology	439.63	1,164.41
			Spring Forum	316.00	360.25
			Autumn Forum	326.00	279.98
			Publication/project grants	400.00	400.00
			Speaker Fees	20.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>£4,225.38</u>	<u>£4,170.27</u>		<u>£2,984.39</u>	<u>£3,534.52</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2024

Represented by:

Balance B/F at 1st January 2024	19,166.44
Plus income for the year	4,225.38
Less expenditure for the year	2,984.39
Balance at 31st December 2024	<u>£20,407.43</u>
Cash movement (increase)	£1,240.99

NatWest current account	5,091.93
NatWest Business Reserve account	4,128.54
Cambridge & Counties 90 Days Notice A/C	11,155.59
PayPal	31.37
	<u>£20,407.43</u>

Honorary Treasurer: David Anderson

Independent Examiner: Lewis Accounting Ltd

Signature: D. J. Anderson Date: 16/1/25

Signature: LG Date: 16/1/2025