

MINUTES OF AGM AND SPRING MEETING ON 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2022 AT  
THE APPELYARD, AVENUE OF REMEMBRANCE, SITTINGBOURNE

1. APOLOGIES

*Apologies received from Mr D. Gallagher and Mr Steven Bull*

2. OBITUARIES

*A full list of obituaries was read out at the Meeting and one minutes silence was observed by the Meeting. Additional deaths since Newsletter were:*

*Former Insp3226 Geoffrey Coles died 4/3/22 Last served FHQ*

*Former Sgt 2436 Cedrick Stolton died 3/3/22 Last served Faversham*

*Former Sgt 2653 Gordon Boozer died 12/3/22 Last served Rochester*

3. MINUTES OF WINTER MEETING

*The minutes of the Winter Meeting 2021 had been circulated and were agreed by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman and Secretary.*

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

*The Chairman gave a resume of enquiries made in relation the Branch trips for this year and stated that a trip to the National Arboretum would be far to costly and would involve an overnight stop in a hotel and a very expensive coach hire meaning the trip would be in excess of some £150 to £200. Added to this there is on You Tube a video showing in detail a tour of this National Arboretum.*

*The Chairman is pricing a trip on the Tenterden Railway and one to RAF Duxford which the Branch would be willing to subsidise. These will be placed on the Branch website soonest.*

*The Chairman had not attended the last Liaison Meeting due to health issues and the Secretary would be attending these in the future.*

5. SECRETARY'S REPORT

*The Secretary explained that Police pensions would rise by 3.1% in April and that old Age Pensions would rise by the same as this Government saw fit to cancel the triple lock for this year which means that pensioners will be considerable worse of due to this callous action. It remains to be seen if the Government sticks to its pledge to reintroduce it next year but owing to this Governments record on breaking manifesto promises I believe it is unlikely to be reintroduced.*

*Prices on virtually everything are increasing and peoples cost of living is set to take a dramatic decline from April 2022 with very little assistance as yet from this Government*

*The Secretary again delivered the £50 Christmas Gift to Branch widows and all have expressed there thanks. The Meeting agreed to continue this for Christmas 2022.*

6. TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurer explained that all monies owing had been paid and as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 there is £8504.56 in the account and the Branch was in profit by £470.17 for the year January 21 to December 21.

The Meeting agreed to continue the same £50 gift to be given to widows this year.

7. HONARARIA

The Meeting agreed the Honoraria for the Chairman and Secretary would remain the same.

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

All Officers and Committee members wished to remain in post and there being no other candidates the status quo remains.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business the Meeting closed

The date of the next Meeting is 7.30pm on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at The Appleyard, Avenue of Remembrance, Sittingbourne.

Signed.....Chairman.....Dated.....

Signed .....Secretary.....Dated.....