

CARJ AGM 4 November 2023 (11:00) at St Thomas More, 9 Henry Rd. London N4, 2LH

Present	Present: Present: Yogi Sutton*, Fr Phil Sumner*, Pat Sutton*, Molly Porter*, Richard Zipfel*, Sue Smailes*, Eva Griffith*, Edith DaSouza, Sian Jones, Gill Paterson, Mary Pierre-Harvey, Phil Kerton, Patricia Waugh, Sybil Bannister, Dave Hastings, Sr Monica Tywang and Gloria Oham. Those with asterisks were paid up members entitled to vote. Some came for other parts of the day and are not listed here. Those listed here were present at the business meeting.
1. Welcome	Mrs Yogi Sutton welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with a prayer. Everyone introduced themselves
2. Apologies	
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting	The Minutes of the previous AGM were approved without amendment. There were no matters arising, other than matters already on the Agenda.
4. Preliminary matters	The Chair explained that only paid up members of CARJ could vote. The meeting was declared quorate.
5. Annual Report	The Chair gave everyone 5 min to read through the Annual Report. After a brief discussion, the Annual Report was approved without amendment.
6. Accounts for Financial Year Apr 2022 – March 2023	Accounts for the financial year April 2022 – March 2023 There was a brief discussion of the Accounts. Then the Accounts were approved without amendment. There followed a discussion of CARJ's particular financial situation (eg membership fees, fund raising, Racial Justice Sunday, etc). The Trustees, despite their current financial concerns, were still clear on being viable as an organisation for the immediate future.
7. Election and Appointment of Trustees	As she was up for re-appointment as Chair, Yogi Sutton handed over the Chair to Richard Zipfel for the elections. Those present were informed that the Constitution stipulates that – ‘no one shall serve in the office of Chairperson for more than six consecutive years unless the charity trustees shall determine otherwise.’ Yogi Sutton had served for six consecutive years, so the Trustees had been asked and decided that Yogi Sutton could be re-appointed as Chair. Four people had been nominated and seconded as Chair, Vice Chair and two as Ordinary Trustees. None of these four were contested. Once this information had been given to those present, Richard Zipfel, temporarily in the Chair, proceeded with elections. Election of Chair Yogi Sutton was re-appointed as Chair (nem con) Election of Vice Chair Nikki Petch was reappointed as Vice-Chair (nem con)

	<p>Election of Ordinary Trustees Fr Phil Sumner was re-appointed as an Ordinary Trustee (nem con) Mary Pierre-Harvey was appointed as an Ordinary Trustee (nem con)</p>
<p>8. AOB and finish</p>	<p>After the main business was finished, Phil Kerton talked for a few minutes about some of the history of the NJPN's work to liase with our bishops, and highlighting the changes that were required. Phil has provided a document about this history, which may provide some food for thought.</p> <p>The Annual General Meeting was closed.</p>

Appendix

The Business Meeting was followed by Mass, Lunch and an afternoon session with speakers discussing the *CARJ Racial Justice Agenda for Change*.