



Secretary's report to AGM of AYM Ltd 21/9/20

Due to Covid-19 restrictions in April 2020 the AYM Executive made the decision to postpone the AGM scheduled in June 2020. The AYM's Articles of Association say we must hold an AGM each calendar year so by rescheduling this virtual AGM in September 2020 we have kept to the rules.

It's been another busy year for the AYM and its Executive Committee in particular. The part-time Business Support Officer created in 2019 to support the work of the Chair/Treasurer, our AYM Project & Communications Officer as well as take on the administration of our website has proved invaluable.

Phil Sutton our SEND Officer has continued to work with us, although now on a reduced hours basis, focussing on the SEND work/Yot Quality Lead/Mark Awards plus the important task of working with the YJB in revising the 'Sustaining the Success' guidance for Yot Management groups which in the AYM's view needs refreshing.

Lesley Tregear has done a terrific job on the monthly AYM Bulletins which I hope you agree are a great read. I think Lesley has surprised herself by the desktop publishing skills she has quickly picked up!. Feedback and suggestions for future editions are always welcome. Once each edition has been circulated to members it is sent to a growing number (100+) of interested stakeholders. I continue to operate the AYM Twitter account that now has over 2800 followers so our voice is certainly increasing year on year.

My thanks go to the rest of the AYM Executive in particular our Chair Andy Peaden who is standing down at this AGM so big thanks go to Andy for all the work he has put in as Chair and previously as Vice Chair.

As many of you will know I retired from Hampshire at the end of April 2020. I am happy to continue for one more year if elected (but equally happy to stand aside if someone else would like a go). If I am re-elected I will stand down at next year's AGM.

I think it's important that the AYM does not become to be seen a repository for retired Yot Managers and someone with current Yot management experience fills the role. I will of course be happy to support someone in their first year from behind the scenes if they wish. The principle role of the Secretary is organising Agenda's,taking minutes of Exec meetings/AGM and ensuring the AYM abides by its Articles of Association. Happy to discuss further with anyone who is interested!

Ian Langley,

AYM Secretary.

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