

AGM 15 March 2025 1:30pm for 2pm

Garden Hall, Watlington House, RG1 4RA Entrance off South Street

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Minutes of AGM April 2024
- 3. Chairman's Report for the year to 31 December 2024
- 4. Hon Treasurer's Report and Statement of Accounts for the year to 31 December 2024
- 5. Election of Officers & Committee members
 - Nominations from the membership
 - Election of Committee members
 - The following have confirmed their willingness to continue to serve;

Richard Bennett (Chair)

Alison Bennett (Membership)

Penny Kemp (Hon Treasurer)

Jo Alexander-Jones (Newsletter Editor & Minutes Secretary)

Lynette Edwell, Amanda Martin, Clare Platts

Terry Dixon, Stephen Snook and Richard Stainthorp

- Election of the Chair
- 6. Appointment of Trustees & Constitution Update
- 7. Election of the Examiner of the Accounts

Paul Welch has indicated he is content to undertake the task again.

- 8. Reports
 - a. Look Draw Build@Reading & Bristol 2025
 - b. New Website and report on the Heritage / Blue Plaque Project
 - c. The proposed new Jane Austen Plaque

9. Looking Forward

- a. Old Bracknell
 - i. Talk 12 April 2pm Watlington House Garden Hall
 - ii. Walk 12 June 7pm Starts at Bracknell Railway Station
- b. Ways and Means Trust; Achievements and Challenges July / August DTBC
- c. Northcourt Avenue Walkabout 10 September 11am
- d. Churches Tour 5 October (?); St. Mary the Virgin, Iffley, Burford Church, St James the Great, Witney

- e. Annual Members Lunch; Rising Sun DTBC October
- f. Workhouses, Inns and Vestries Dr Margaret Ounsley November DTBC
- g. Joint event with the Berkshire Gardens Trust, Autumn DTBC
- h. Royal Meteorological Society, potential talk

10.AOB

Break

Influential Women of Reading

Terry Dixon

It had been planned that Tony Page, Reading's former longstanding Councillor and Mayor, would give us a talk about his experiences in Reading's planning and developments over the years. Unfortunately, due to an illness in his family, this has to be postponed. Terry Dixon will step into the breach with his new talk about his, and Linda Saul's book, **Influential Women of Reading** during the Pandemic.