Minutes of the Chester Cursillo AGM Saturday 17th May 2025

at St Lukes Church hall Holmes Chapel

Present:-

Beverley Nixon	Julie Brunt
Tony Rablen	Sue Burt
Ruth & Ian Arthur	Sue & Nick Hutt
Caroline Coutts	Sue Cordingley
Carol Thayer	Gill Appleton
Marion Mc Call	Jenny Clews
Beth Roberts	

Apologies:-

Vicki Schofield	Veronica Hydon
Denise Harding	Joan Clare
Morag Ransom	Sue Caunt
David & Anne Taylor	Alan & Janet Thompson
Rob & Jan Anderson	Fiona Todd
Emma Kennedy	

Minutes of the 2024 AGM accepted – Proposed by Julie Brunt Seconded by Bev Nixon

Matters Arising :-

Ruth Arthur asked if the financial support of Lichfield participants attending Chester weekends had been discussed at the Secretariat, Bev confirmed that this had been discussed and approved by the Secretariat.

Beth Roberts asked if monies held by Lichfield Cursillo historically had been located. Bev stated she understood that the monies had now been found. Bev stated that a Lichfield Cursillo Steering committee has been established, and the plan is to spend this year consolidating as a group before forming Secretariat next year.

Reports from the Lay Director, Treasurer, Weekend Co-ordinator, Fourth Day Officer, Palanca Secretary, Communications Officer and Safeguarding Officer were read out & are available as attachments. No report was received from the BACC rep.

Lay Directors report – Bev thanked Vicki Schofield & Sue Caunt for their work on the Secretariat. Bev also expressed her concern at the lack of Cursillistas who are prepared to serve on the Secretariat, they have been managing without a secretary for 12 months, this cannot continue. Without a full Secretariat, Cursillo in Chester cannot function and will be at risk of folding as has happened in other Dioceses.

Treasurers report – It was proposed that a savings account be opened in addition to the current account that already exists and administered by the current signatories. Proposed by Beth Roberts, Seconded by Nick Hutt

Weekend Co-ordinators report – The date of the Lent retreat was confirmed as 21st February 2026 not 26th as stated in the report.

Palanca Secretary report – Prayers were said for Oxford Cursillo who are struggling and were holding an important meeting at the time of our AGM

Gratitude was expressed to Anne Vetter for her maintenance of the Chester Cursillo website which has received commendation from BACC

The BACC website was recommended by Beth Roberts and the Communication Officer is to be asked to send out a link to BACC pages when it is published

Elections:-

BACC Rep – Jenny Clews was elected unopposed

There were no nominations for Secretary & Communications Officer

Minutes taken by Carol Thayer in the absence of a secretary.