Delegates were shown a special tribute ‘photo montage’ in memory of
The Late Gareth Cumming (13/1/1984 – 20/8/2022)
who was a good Friend and Trustee of the BBS.

Elaine spoke for a moment of her deep personal sadness at the loss of Gareth — and the outpouring of kindness and support from everyone who will miss him so much.

**Welcome and introductions**

Elaine Healey Chairman welcomed all to the AGM. (list of attendees and apologies are held).

EH confirmed copies of the full AGM pack of all relevant documents had been published to the website including accounts, candidate biographies, Charity articles (constitution) plus the Charity’s Annual review.

EH confirmed the proposed online participation features via the online chatbox and encouraged questions and comment.

**Formal Business Section**

Secretary – Angie Stewart
AS listed the resolutions:

**RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions proposed at the AGM:

1. the presentation of the annual report and accounts of the Society for the year end 31 March [2022];
2. resolutions to re-elect certain of the Trustees;
3. a resolution to elect Trustee Robert Gordon as Trustee and Treasurer
4. reappoint the auditors Bird Simpson;
   • It will be assumed the resolutions are passed unless anyone objects in the chat box. If they object, they should say which resolution they are objecting to in the chat box.
• **Treasurers Report — Robert Gordon Trustee**

  - RG covered the statement of financial activities and discussed legacies and surplus funds. RG said fundraising was down a little, however most charities were similarly impacted due to the Covid etc. The charity was in a healthy financial position and Robert moved the report.

**Resolutions — to approve and accept Annual report & Accounts March 2022**

- proposed by Thines Ganeshamoorthy and seconded by Robert Gordon.

**Governance John Phillips Vice Chairman**

Update on Trustee elections (composition of trustees needed on the Board)

John first offered his own personal condolences and his sadness at the loss of Gareth Cumming.

JP explained the current agreed structure / composition of the Trustee board. John went on to explain the legal position with the number of trustees registered at Companies House being written into the formal document known as the Articles of our Association — and that number was (9). Due to the sudden passing of Gareth, the Board needed to act quickly to resolve the number of Trustees registered. So that BBS would be compliant with their rules and regulations.

Liz Robertson (head of pro bono legal at Jones Day), has for some years been working for the BBS in a number of ways, assisting with contract reviews, drafting, proofing and presentations, not least offering tremendous assistance with the recent change of charity status and all aspects of legal requirement therein.

JP confirmed he had proposed to Liz that she might be co-opted by the Trustee Board as she had sound experience of working with the Charity and fortunately Liz was agreeable to the proposition.

Secretary AS arranged to call Aug 24th 2022 as a special trustee board meeting to offer condolences about Gareth’s passing and to address the issue around the number of trustees needed (9) going forward.

At that meeting (JP stepped aside for the vote), all trustees agreed to co-opt Liz Robertson to the Board and to then support a resolution to put her forward to election October 1st 2022.
JP concluded also, that trustees discussed that Liz may want to step down in the future if the board did in the fullness of time secure other suitable candidates.

JP further reminded all, that the trustee board were keen to keep the percentage of those serving as trustees to be weighted more with those living with OI, and they would continue to support that position.

**Resolutions – Full Results**
- **Annual Report and Accounts** proposed by Thines Ganeshamoorthy and seconded by Robert Gordon
  - **Robert Gordon** as Trustee and Treasurer, proposed by John Phillips and seconded by Sally Harris
- **Professor Margaret Smith** as Trustee, proposed by John Phillips and seconded Elaine Healey
- **Thines Ganeshamoorthy** as Trustee, Steve Edney and seconded by Liz Robertson
- **Elizabeth (Liz) Robertson** as Trustee proposed by Elaine Healey and seconded by Steve Edney
- **Auditors Bird Simpson (re-appointed)** proposed by Robert Gordon and seconded by Jenny Taylor.

**Charity’s Operational report – Patricia Osborne CEO**
PO gave a brief overview of the year’s highlights as listed in the Annual Review. Thanks were noted, to the charity’s Boards of Medical Advisory Board and Scientific Advisory Board, gratitude to all Trusts and grant making organisations for their financial support. Thanks noted to all volunteers and members, to everybody who was involved in fundraising and to the hard work of all staff throughout the difficult year.

PO listed goals going forward covering Support, Policy, campaigns, working groups and a variety of events. EH offered a final vote of thanks and reminder of the kids workshop the next day, also an announcement that the BBS were to host their OI CAN outdoor event hopefully in May 2022.

**Further talks at this AGM**
Dr Bachell —History Bones Talk
Assoc Prof Javaid—Care Pathways

**Vote of thanks - ENDS.**

EH formally closed the meeting and looks forward to seeing everybody in person in 2023.