

**MINUTES OF THE IHBC WALES BRANCH MEETING HELD ON THE 8 TH  
MARCH 2005 AT THE BREWERS FARE , PARC MENAI, VAYNOL, BANGOR**

**PRESENT:**Dave Jump , Ron Duglass, Gwilym Jones and Nathan Blanchard.

**1. Apologies:** Apologies were received from Alan Richards and Lindsay Cuddy.

**2. Minutes of the IHBC Wales Branch Meeting held on the 11th January 2005 at the Vaynol Hall, Vaynol Estate, Bangor.**

2.1. The minutes were read and approved as a true record. (*Agreed nem con*).

**3. Matters Arising.**

3.1. Both G.J. & N.B. reported that the recent membership drive had gone ahead as planned . They also were pleased to report that the drive had attracted 4 new members and 1 upgrade from afill to full.

**4. The IHBC Wales Branch Representative to the National Council proposed move and the different Committee vacancies needing to be filled.**

4. N.B. reported that he did not proposed to consider moving IHBC Branches until after the AGM in November of this year. It was reported that Kirsty Martin may be interested in the Networking and Publicity Officers position on the Branch Cttee' following her election to membership, All present supported the idea.

A potential other candidate put forward was John Ellis .

**5. IHBC Wales Branch Draft Leaflet.**

5.1. D.J. Reported that N.B. suggested that I speak with Dave Chetwin IHBC Consultations Secretary (Policy) .

D.J. reported that the National IHBC office was preparing to produce a new leaflet and would we like to forward our draft for their consideration. D.J. explained to D.C. that it was our intention to give our leaflet a Welsh flavor as well as being bilingual. D.J. posted D.C. a CD ROM and some paper copies on the 21/02/05 for his attention. To date we have not had any feedback.

**6. The proposed IHBC Wales Branch Conference.**

6.1. N.B reported on meetings and talks and said that he had put together a draft paper setting out the background, developments, format, costs and the justification for hosting such an event either in the Autumn or before mid August.

It was discussed and agreed that the venue should be at Llandrindod Wells. N.B. asked if Cttee officers would provide comments and observations by return suggesting any potential themes.

**7.IHBC Wales Branch Cttee Officer's Reports.**

7.1.The Tresurer R.D. reported that the Bank transfer was in operation and that the two signatries have signed the transfer document which has been sent back to the bank.

In about two weeks time the cheque should go through to complete the transfer.

7.2. The Chairman G.J. reported that the meeting with Cadw and the new director of the IHBC had been constructive. Cadw agreed to look at helping support the proposed conference.

Cadw also agreed to develop further the training seminars which had been sucessfull to date and agreed that IHBC and Cadw hold an annual meeting.

G.J. confirmed that Jean Booker is the main contact in Cadw for the IHBC.

7.3. The Secretary D.J. reported that the arrangement with the Vaynol as the venue for the Branches meetings was not working out as planned. D.J. reported that he not been able to access the Hall for this meeting and had had to move the meeting sharply to the pub down the road. D.J. suggested that this should be an item for discussion at the next meeting.

7.4. The Branch Representative N.B. Reported on the draft resposonce he had prepared

following the meeting with Tom Casidy , G.J.and the IHBC Director asking for the branch to check it before it was issued.

N.B. also discussed the Ministers letter to David Lovie IHBC over the proposed changes to the Lottery Bill reporting the Ministers reasurance that heritage projects in Wales would not suffer and welcomed further dialog with the IHBC.

N.B. said that he would contact Peter Babcock to make sure the date of the next IHBC Wales Branch meeting was corrected on the IHBC Website.

**8. Any Other Business.**

8.1. None.

**9. Date and Venue for the next IHBC Wales Branch Meeting.**

9.1. 3.30pm at the Royal Welsh Showground , Llanelwedd, Powys on **Friday 13th** May 2005.