

# Sunderland Astronomical Society

**Date:** 17<sup>th</sup> November 2013.  
**Time:** 6:00 pm.  
**Location:** WWT.

**Attendees:** John Lynch (JL), Paul Meade (PM), Martin Kennedy (MK), Ken Kirvan (KK), Natalie Lowes (NL), Stephen Carr (SC), Harry Herron (HH). Roy Alexander (RA), Ian Aiken (IA), Peter Wison (PW), Relevant SAS Membership.

**Apologies:** None.

## Open Actions:

- JL to make modifications to SAS Constitution.
- SAS Committee to progress Community Endowment Application.
- SAS Large Dobsonian telescope project Graham Darke (GD), HH,DB.

	Description	Action	Deadline Date
1	<b>Statement of Finances</b> JL outlined the treasurer's financial report for the previous season.		
2	<b>Significant Purchases</b> JL outlined the purchases made by the society for the previous season.		
3	<b>Statement of Membership Numbers</b> JL outlined the SAS membership numbers for the previous season.		
4	<b>Review of activities for past 12 months</b> JL briefly reviewed SAS major activities and events over the past 12 months.		
5	<b>Review of Ongoing projects</b> <b>SAS Large Dob Telescope Making Project</b> JL outlined the progress report the large Dob telescope making project. HH gave a progress report commented that the telescope base was progressing well and they were starting to think about the design of the secondary mirror housing. Re: primary mirror progress, Graham Dare (GD) has indicated that it would take about another 8 hrs work. GD also indicated that he was thinking about getting a primary mirror coated at Orion Optics. <b>SAS Storage Shed at WWT</b> JL commented that permission granted from WWT management (at no extra cost to the current rent) to build a storage shed with sliding roof, Allowed size 2mx 3m. Quotes for builders were to be obtained.	Graham Darke to complete polishing of primary mirror. DB - design HH- Engineering/setup.	
6	<b>Appoint/Re-Appoint on Committee</b> Members were elected/re-elected for the committee and nominated by SAS members. <b>Named officers elected:</b> Chairperson - John Lynch (JL), Vice-Chair-person – Roy Alexander (RA), Treasurer - Ken Kirvan (KK), Secretary - Martin Kennedy (MK). <b>Committee members elected:</b> John Lynch (JL), Paul Meade (PM), Martin Kennedy (MK), Ken Kirvan (KK), Natalie Lowes (NL), Stephen Carr (SC), Harry Herron (HH), Roy Alexander (RA), Ian Aiken (IA), Peter Wison (PW).		
7	<b>Appoint/Re-Appoint on Auditor</b> Dave Beedham (DB) was reappointed as SAS auditor.		
8	<b>Members Comments</b> None.		
9	<b>Updates to SAS Constitution</b>		

## SAS AGM Minutes

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	JL outlined changes to SAS Constitution document after outlining changes to SAS membership. After some discussion on these changes they were voted as acceptable and passed for inclusion in document.	JL to make agreed changes to SAS Constitution.	Dec 2013
10	<b>Any Other Business</b> JL commented that the Community Endowment Fund application was to be progressed further. If successful, it would help with costs for community outreach and also possible course towards Cygnus Observatory updates. RA to be called the lead on this with cooperation from the SAS committee	RA to progress application	Feb/March 2014.

**Date & Time of next AGM:** 16<sup>th</sup> November 2014, 6:00 pm at WWT.