

OLD DY'VORIANS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR 2025-6
To be held on Wednesday, 15th April 2026, at 3.15 pm (BST)
in Dynevor, Lecture Theatre 1 and online via Teams
AGENDA

1. Present:
2. Apologies for Absence:
3. Approval of the Minutes of the 2025 AGM held on 24th April 2025.
4. Matters Arising:
We are very grateful to Keith Ferguson for producing the end of year accounts and the annual report for the AGM (see item 7).
5. Officers' Reports
 - President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer for year ending 31/12/2025

*The Audited Financial Statements and Reports may be found on the ODA Website at:
<https://dynevorrevisited.org.uk/agm-documents/>*

Motion to accept the Audited Financial Statements for 31/12/2025.

6. The Association wishes to record its appreciation to:
Robert Howells for all his years of service and dedication as Auditor 2008-2025 and previously as Treasurer 2002-2008, who has stepped down from the role due to ill-health;
Andrew Clemes ('73-'78), who is stepping down from the committee after his three-year tenure as Vice-President, President and Past President.
Robert Mitchell ('72-'88) who has resigned as our Annual Dinner photographer and committee member due to family commitments;
Stuart Hancock ('52-59') for auditing the accounts for 2025-2026.
7. To confirm the appointment of the following Committee Officers:
President - Steve Balsamo ('82-'87)
Vice-President - **To be announced**
Past President - Gareth Payne ('69-'75)
Annual Accounts, in lieu of a treasurer - Keith Ferguson ('58-'63), supported by Gareth Payne - subscriptions, Margaret Llewelyn ('84-'02) - Annual Dinner and Pam Bashford ('74-'02) - Dynevor Days, website and general banking, the latter with Jeff Vaughan ('58-'63).
Secretary - Pam Bashford
Membership Secretary - Peter Samuel ('59-'66)
Editor of The Dy'vorian - John Summerwill ('55-'62)
Communication Co-ordinators: Facebook, Zoom and Teams - Phil Stone ('59-'66), and Mailchimp - Pam Bashford (temporary role).
Website Administrators – Pam Bashford and Phil Stone

Members who have indicated their willingness to serve on the Committee during the coming year include: - Jeff Vaughan; John Walters ('61-'69); David Taylor ('68-'02); Hywel Davies ('67-'74),.

Motion to confirm Stuart Hancock as Auditor to the Association for the coming year.

No other nominations have been received for Officers of the Association.

The Association's thanks are extended to the above, and to Margaret Llewelyn who although not a committee member continues to support Jeff Vaughan organising the Annual Dinner.

8. Planning Ahead

- a) **Motion:** To ensure the financial stability and address potential annual budget deficit, Association members will be asked to make a voluntary contribution, above the existing annual subscription fee of £10, if they so wish. The additional funding would be utilised, in particular to support charitable donations.
- b) **Information:** In order to consider long-term planning that will ensure our Association's legacy is preserved, promoted and protected, a Working Party will be set up. Members from all year groups will be asked to join the Working Party. The Working Party will be given an opportunity to report on progress at committee meetings, with a final report produced no later than the end of 2029.
- c) **Information:** The mechanism by which new applicants join the ODA will be simplified as the current process is considered out-dated.

9. ODA Activities:

a) Donations:

The Dynevor Days donation funded outdoor experiences for approximately 230 Year 6 pupils across the five participating primary schools last academic year.

Please view pupils' comments on the schools' section of the Dynevor Days [website](#) to see the significant impact the donation has had.

An additional £2000 Dynevor Days' donation was presented to Brynhyfryd Primary School as a special President's Award.

Two donations, each for £100, have been made to:

Y-HUB, a universal youth group open to all 11-25-year-olds, with a Friday night club (6-8 pm) and a daily drop in (12-5 pm) offering hot food, music and weekly workshops. It offers young people a safe and friendly environment with professional support;

Faith in Families, as a gesture of thanks to Andrea D'Ambra for giving his time to deliver this year's Annual Lecture.

Gareth Payne will end his tenure by presenting the President's Award to UWTSD students at the Graduates' Summer Show at Dynevor Campus on 15th May this year.

- b) The ODA Annual Dinner, the highlight of our year, was held at the Village Hotel. We will be returning there on 1st May, 2026.
- c) Two coffee-mornings have been held in Dynevor Café since the last AGM. The last one was poorly attended, no doubt due to having hold it on a weekday in order to fit in with the catering department's requirements. An appeal has been made for the next event to revert to a Saturday morning.

d) Further activities for 2026 are in the early stages of planning and will be announced in the coming months.

10. Dynevor Archive:

a) Our website's landing page has been updated by NetBop, based on a design put forward by Phil Stone and John Summerwill;

b) Original copies of material available on our website are gradually being moved to West Glamorgan Archive Service for secure storage.

Any Other Business: Questions submitted previously for discussion at the AGM.