



**HPA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**St Thomas Aquinas Church Hall, Ham Common**  
**7.30pm Wednesday April 25 2018**

1. Introduction by chair Geoff Bond; appeal for new members and introduction of committee.
2. David Jowers; Charles Doe; Pauline Gizejewski; Sir David Williams Claire McKenzie; Jo Chambers; John Asbridge; Linda Holland; Alison Graham. Anne Powell absent.
3. President: Rachel Lipscomb
4. 2017 minutes approved. Proposed David Williams; seconded Peter Lipscomb.
5. Statement of accounts for 2017 presented and accepted. Proposed Brian Willman; seconded Nicholas Bailey. Thanks given to Julia Bailey for help with preparing accounts.
6. Re-election of committee members: Charles Doe, Linda Holland and David Williams. Proposed Claire McKenzie; seconded Anne Bayne.
7. Chair thanked President Rachel Lipscomb for help in Petersham winning Best Village in London on first time entry.
8. Chair's review of HPA work on:
  - Avenue and Copse maintenance
  - Ham Pond: HPA donation to swan sanctuary; paid for new platforms round pond
  - Latchmere Brook and Ham Common Woods: HPA paid for fences around toad pond
  - Russell School: update by Claire McKenzie on redevelopment scheme
  - Renovation plans for Duchess of Teck memorial
  - Ham Close development
9. Ham Open Gardens 2017: Rachel Lipscomb said over £10,000 raised; over 1,000 visitors; will go ahead next year.
10. Guest speaker: "Conservation – Managing Change"
11. Architect Richard Woolf spoke on conservation as establishing what best in natural and built environment; anticipating and embracing change.
12. HPA President's address: Petersham Best Village in London; now going for Britain in Bloom award – announcement on July 31.
13. Brian Willman, chair of Ham and Petersham Neighbourhood Forum, explained latest stage of Neighbourhood Plan.
14. Cassel Hospital: David Williams said one of gardens from Hampton Court Flower Show – New Sanctuary Garden - installed in hospital grounds: to be formally opened in July by Princess Alexandra.
15. The Matchless Vale: David Jowers said copies of new edition would be available end of May. Price £20
16. Petersham Meadows: Jo Chambers said National Trust happy with heifers on meadows and would remain for foreseeable future.
17. Petersham Open Gardens to take place June 3 11.00am-5.00pm. Benefitting charities The Petersham & Ham Sea Scouts, The Vineyard Community Project and Petersham Environment Trust.
18. HPA party will be on June 9; evening of Ham Fair – tickets £20.
19. Meeting ended 9.00pm followed by drinks.