

The Hammersmith Society

Working to preserve and enhance our architecture and urban environment since 1962

Minutes of the Awards Evening and 62nd Annual General Meeting held at Latymer Upper School, Recital Room, W6 9LR on 9 February 2026

Present: Cllr Sharon Holder, Mayor of Hammersmith & Fulham, and some 60 members, friends, guests and representatives of local groups, MP's and award winners.

1. Richard Farthing, Chair, welcomed members and guests, and in particular the fact that our area is now represented by two MPs both of whom were able to attend, Rupa Huq and Andy Slaughter.

Hammersmith Society Awards were introduced by the Vice Chairman. All the nominated schemes were reported on and awards were presented by the Mayor as follows:

The main Hammersmith Society Environment Award was jointly awarded to the new commercial development at New Timber Yard, Dimes Place, off King Street and to Macfarlane Place providing 142 new affordable homes

The Nancye Goulden Award was given to the King Street public realm rain gardens.

A Wooden Spoon was awarded to a scheme which had got it wrong, namely the Hammersmith Belle (former Hampshire Hog public house) by introducing fake LED-lit white mini-trees outside.

Visiting Speaker

Local Sculptor Hywel Pratley gave a talk about his various past projects, including a 7ft bronze of Queen Elizabeth II. He then proposed a potential life-sized sculpture of William Morris and suggested locations.

2024-25 Chairman's Report

The Chairman presented an overview of his report, the full report being on the Society's website and chose to focus on a few of the significant developments already appearing or likely to appear in Hammersmith in the next few years.

Minutes of the 61st AGM had been circulated to members and were agreed.

Treasurer's Report and Accounts:

The outgoing Treasurer Nina Jindal had circulated the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023/24 which showed a surplus for the period of £674.98, income having been £1990.10 in subscriptions and donations and total expenditure of £1315.12. The accounts were agreed.

Election of Officers and Committee

The following were elected unopposed

Angela Clarke Chair
Richard Winterton and Matthew Hedges Joint Vice Chairs
Matthew Hedges.....Treasurer
Richard Farthing.....Membership

Committee members: Annabel Clarke, Annabelle May, Chris Tranchell

The Chair reported that Nina Jindal and Michael Rivers were standing down from the committee and thanked them for their time and support of the Society over their time on the committee.

Angela Clarke thanked Richard Farthing for his success and very busy three years as Chairman and relieved that he will stay on the committee as membership secretary and webmaster.

Latymer Upper School was thanked for providing the Recital Room for the meeting.