S.H.A.G.S Annual General Meeting – 22 May 2019 – 8.00pm Proposed Amendment to the Society Rules

DRAFT CHANGE TO "RULE 11: OFFICERS" FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL BY THE AGM.

Current rule wording:

11. Officers:

a) The Officers of the Society shall be a President, Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Chairman, Letting Secretary, Distribution Manager, Communications Officer and Webmaster, Machinery Manager Awards Officer and a Newsletter Editor. All Officers shall be honorary. The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer shall be the Trustees named in the agreement with the Harpenden Town Council and they shall, when practicable, attend all meetings convened by the said Council which affect the interests of the Society.

Background:

It has been suggested that the position of President has become redundant now that the Society has a closer working relationship with Harpenden Town Council. Historically, the President has served as a conduit between the Society and the Council. With the position now vacant and no obvious candidate for nomination, the committee feels the position of President should be removed.

In addition, the role of Publicity Officer had been created at the 2018 AGM but not formally added to the list of Officers in the Society's rules.

Therefore the amendment is to remove the word "President" and add the words "Publicity Officer".

Proposed changes marked in Red:-

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The AGM is invited to approve these new Rules.