INSTITUTE OF CORROSION.

Draft Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting.
Held on 31st October 2019 at the Council Chambers, Birmingham Town Hall.

Present:
G. Hinds (President); B. Hedges (Vice-President); S. Vasey (Immediate Past President); T. Collins (Hon. Treasurer); J. Lomas (Hon. Secretary); B. Cox; R. Edwards; J. Fletcher; D. Harvey; D. Horrocks; T. Osborne; B. Wyatt; S. Bond; M. Buechler; R. Cole; D. Collister; M. Crowe; K. Dykes; P. Edge; P. Ernst; P. Eyles; G. Fielding; R. Fielding; L. Fullalove; O. Gautsel; T. Gerrard; G. Glass; C. Googan; A. Goyal; J. Heywood; S. Hird; M. Jawed; S. Kimber; C. Kirby; K. Lax; C. Lynch; R. Marsden; D. Marshall; P. McCloskey; W. McKie; P. Merino; A. Moosavi; P. Munn; V. Ngala; C. Page; S. Parvizi; J. Phillips; H. Pouya; N. Ratcliffe; P. Rigby; Z. Ronafalui; P. Segers; P. Sharma; D. Shepherd; D. Sismanovic; P. Smith; E. Sparks; A. Thomas; B. Whittaker; C. Wozencroft; Z. Yuan; Z. Zagorski.

Apologies:
S. About; F. Ahmad; M. Ahmed; A. Akrawi; A. Alshammari; M. Balletta; N. Bhattacharyya; T. Box; P. Collier; B. Crundwell; A. Del-Moro; J. Didas; S. Elraie; D. Gay; A. Hannan; M. Hillyard; S. Hope; T. Ibrahim; R. Jacob; G. Karydis; Y. Kerroum; P. Lambert; R. Lindley; F. Makrani; N. Noor; M. Oki; N. Peterson-White; H. Potgeiter; M. Sincioco; U. Schneck; K. Vadivelu; N. Webb.

Minutes of the 2018 AGM.
The previous minutes had not been posted on the ICorr website. A version was found and a few minor corrections for names were noted.
The minutes were proposed as a true record by J. Fletcher, seconded by B. Wyatt and agreed unanimously.

President’s Report.
G. Hinds reported that he had enjoyed his first year as ICorr President and extended his thanks to all the volunteers who helped the Institute. He also thanked all those who had helped contribute to a successful year.

A special vote of thanks was made to Trevor Osborne, for his enormous level of work with both the purchase and refurbishment of the new Corrosion House in Northampton. In recognition of his efforts, the training room had been named the Osborne Room.

D. Deacon’s contribution to the original Corrosion House was also recognised by naming the meeting room the Deacon Room.

GH reported that a new initiative was in progress to refresh the ICorr brand. A new logo had been proposed and then chosen by the ICorr membership from 3 possible options. A new look for the Institute was also being developed with shiny metal instead of rust.

GH stated that new marketing measures were in progress to attract new members and that the Young Engineers Program for 2020 was now oversubscribed.
During 2019 there had been a slight problem with the awarding of Chartered Engineer status, when our Licenced Institution, the Society of Environmental Engineers, stopped trading, however this has now been resolved with a new Licenced Institution.

GH reported that it had been his pleasure to present the premier awards for ICorr at recent conferences.

Training courses continued to provide a stream of income for ICorr and there are now 3 part time roles in place to help further the development of training.

The role of developing the Institute’s Digital Strategy was to be undertaken by the Vice President B. Hedges.

GH announced that Gwynneth Moore, who worked in the ICorr office, was to retire at the end of December. A vote of thanks was offered to her on behalf of the Institute.

Finally GH thanked the ICorr Trustees, Council members, Staff and volunteers for their continued diligence to the Institute.

The President’s report was proposed as a true record of the previous year by S. Vasey, seconded by B. Wyatt and carried unanimously.

**Treasurer’s Report.**

T. Collins (Honorary Treasurer) reported that the Institute was in good shape financially, although income was slightly down on last year and expenses had increased. This was partly due to the purchase and refurbishment of Corrosion House. The property was purchased outright, so there was no mortgage and no rent to pay.

The total assets of ICorr were now just over £1M, including the property and savings with a number of separate bonds and banks to protect the cash.

TC noted that Correx also operates from Corrosion House and will be contributing to the operating costs. Correx had donated a total of £400k into the building fund.

There was some concern that the operating costs for one year were close to the available cash reserves, but TC said that fiscal control was tight to minimise any risk.

GH proposed that the Treasurer’s report represented the true financial situation. This was seconded by J. Fletcher and carried unanimously.

**Election of Officers.**

The Trustees and Council members had to be formally approved every year at the AGM.

**Trustees:**

President: G. Hinds  
Vice President: B Hedges  
Immediate Past President: S. Vasey
Honorary Treasurer: T. Collins
Honorary Secretary: J. Lomas

The Trustees were proposed by B. Wyatt, seconded by J. Fletcher and unanimously accepted for another year.

B. Hedges was then formally presented with his Vice President medallion.

**Council Members:**
The list of current Council members was read out and one additional person (Caroline Allanach) was proposed to be co-opted onto Council.

GH proposed that, in addition to the Trustees, the following should be elected as Council members for the coming year:

Caroline Allanach
Simon Bowcock
Paul Brooks
Bill Cox
Richard Edwards
John Fletcher
Brian Goldie
Don Harrop
David Harvey
David Horrocks
Paul Lambert
Michael Leahy
Trevor Osborne
Brenda Peters
Nigel Peterson-White
Nick Smart
Stephen Tate
Julian Wharton
Bill Whittaker
Neil Wilds
George Winning
Brian Wyatt

This was seconded by T. Osborne and carried unanimously.

**Any Other Business.**

**Bye-Law Changes.**
G. Hinds stated that B. Cox and D. Harrop had previously suggested that changes were made to the Membership fees related to retired members, and a formal proposal had recently been approved by Council. Whilst looking into the resulting changes needed to the Institute Bye-Laws, G. Hinds had observed that several of these were now out of date and he had undertaken a review.
The proposed changes had been posted on the website in the Members area, with the changes highlighted in yellow.

The major additional change was to rename “Individual Members” to “Affiliates” to avoid confusion with the professional grades of membership. The question of what was an “Individual” member was raised and G. Hinds explained that this was the entry-level grade of membership, including those nominated for free membership by a Sustaining Member Company.

G. Hinds proposed that the changes to the Bye-Laws were accepted. B. Cox seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Honorary Life Fellow.
Trustees and Council wanted to recognise the huge contribution that David Harvey had made to the Institute over very many years and had elected him Honorary Life Fellowship of the Institute.

The President G. Hinds presented D. Harvey with his Honorary Life Fellow certificate.

Chartered Engineering Status.
G. Hinds explained that the Society that maintained Registration of ICorr members with the Engineering Council had gone into liquidation earlier in 2019. ICorr was now working with another Licenced Institution to ensure that ICorr members would retain their Registrations going forward. The transition between the two Licenced Institutions would be seamless and Registration of ICorr members would not be interrupted.

Business Development.
G. Hinds had carried out a formal review with the ICorr Marketing Manager D. Mobbs in March 2019, regarding his targets. All had been achieved or exceeded. It was necessary to continue with the marketing process as there was not an instant return on the financial investment.

T. Osborne noted that as ICorr was no longer paying rent for premises, this would help to offset the ongoing marketing cost.

G. Hinds noted that IMechE AR had kindly offered to cover 50% of the new Training Scheme Managers costs.

NACE
D. Horrocks noted that NACE now wanted to become training providers to the Highways Agency. This would be followed up.

As there was no further business, the 2019 AGM was closed.