



NBA AGM – 26th April 2025 at Westgate Baptist Church

Welcome by Revd Tony Ruddle, NBA Trustee

Attendance: 95

Apologies: Revd Mairi McBain, Revd Dave Tubby, Revd Rachel Holland
AGM chaired by Revd Tony Ruddle, NBA Trustee on behalf of Revd Mairi McBain

NBA Staff Team Updates

Revd Johnny Pozzo thanked all churches, NBA Moderator and trustees for their prayers during his recovery.

Thanks were also given to Susanna Hinton as NBA Renew Wellbeing Facilitator and Clare Cockerill as NBA Administrator for their gifts and personalities. Susanna's term ended in December 2024 and Clare Cockerill resigned in July 2024.

Hannah Rowan was welcomed as new NBA Administrator, appointed in November 2024.

Dan Holland, NBA CYF Facilitator also became NBA Safeguarding Lead and was appointed in September 2024.

2024 Annual Report

The meeting accepted the minutes of the last meeting (provided on the website in advance of the meeting) as a true and accurate record.

Tony Ruddle provided a summary of the Annual Report 2024, which is provided in full on NBA website. There were no questions or comments, and the Report was accepted by the meeting.

NBA Ministerial Updates

Welcome to new ministers within the Association:

Revd Tim Carter – Lecturer at Cranmer Hall,
Revd Hazel Koch – Minister without Portfolio
Revd Helen Baker – currently on leave of absence.

Congratulations were offered to Revd Rachel Holland- Portrack Baptist Church and Revd Mark Hubbard- Redcar Baptist Church on their transfer to the list of Fully Accredited Ministers

During the last year the NBA also ordained and inducted two new pioneer ministers:
David Schannen- Community Minister at Whitley Lodge Baptist Church

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Karen Smith- Pioneer Minister at Alnwick Baptist Church

Notification of death of ministers:

Malcolm Potter- Darlington Tabernacle and supported the church at Thornaby, Gary

Patchen- Billingham Baptist Church

Lynn Green prayed and gave thanks for these named people.

2024 Financial Report

Treasurer Gavin Monument gave a recap of the Financial Report, provided within the Annual Report.

John Watson (Morpeth Baptist Church) has offered his expertise as external examiner of the Association accounts over the last several years and 2024 will be his final year of doing so.

Johnny Pozzo formally expressed the Association's grateful thanks to John for his much valued service.

Johnny also thanked Gavin Monument for his work, Gavin is standing for re-appointment at this AGM but will step down from the role at the end of 2025.

There were no comments or questions on the Finance Report and was accepted by the meeting.

NBA Council Appointments

The following appointments to the NBA Council (trustees) were unanimously accepted:

Revd Dave Tubby

Revd Karen Smith

Revd Micky Munroe

The following annual appointments were unanimously accepted:

Treasurer: Gavin Monument

Home Mission Rep: Revd Roy Searle

BMS Rep: Paul Knight

Tony concluded the meeting by encouraging all to keep reaching out. The small things we do make a difference. He closed in prayer.

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