



Brigade Council 2022 Summary

182 leaders from across the UK & RoI had registered to attend the Council meeting on Saturday 3rd September 2022, which was held via video conferencing. Please note that the full wording of all motions can still be found at boys-brigade.org.uk/brigade-conference

The number of votes registered was as follows:

Ordinary	51
Postal	38
Total	89

Drew Buchanan MBE, Chair of the Brigade Executive, chaired the meeting and joining him at Lighthouse Christian Centre in Salford were Jonathan Eales, Chief Executive, and several members of the Brigade Executive – Ronnie Campbell, Robert Cunningham, Jaime Ellis, Michael MacAulay, Rev Leigh Maydew and Paul McCarroll.

Following the Chair's welcome, a time of worship was led by Rev Leigh Maydew, outgoing Brigade Chaplain. Council paid tribute to leaders who had passed away since the last meeting and also heard a video message from Rev Stewart Cutler, the proposed new Brigade Chaplain.

A message of loyal greeting to Her Majesty The Queen was read, along with Her Majesty's reply.

The Procedural Rules for this meeting and the minutes of the last Brigade Council meeting on Saturday 4th September 2021 were both agreed.

The Chief Executive gave an overview of the successes and challenges of the last 12 months. Natalie Whipday, Director for Operations, gave a review of the work of the organisation during the 2021/22 session. John Sharp, Director for Development and Communications, updated Council on the initial findings of the Company Census held between March and May 2022.

Council watched a video review of the 2021/22 session. Both this and an Annual Review (in PDF format) are available at boys-brigade.org.uk/who-we-are/annual-review

Council then considered other items of business.

Presentation of Annual Accounts

Ronnie Campbell, Brigade Executive, presented the Annual Accounts to 31st March 2022 and updated members on the current financial position on behalf of Steve Mann, Brigade Treasurer.

The accounts were agreed (76 votes for, 0 against).

Auditors

Whiting and Partners were reappointed as the Brigade's auditors (79 votes for, 0 against).

Capitation Fees

Council agreed the Capitation Fees for the 2022/23 session (64 votes for, 19 against).

Category		Fee
Fee per young person		£25.00
Adult fees	Officers / Leaders	£25.00
	(Second person at the same address)	£21.00
	Battalion & District Officers not on Company roll	£25.00
	Officers / Leaders in full time education or training	£21.00
	Helpers	£19.50

The fee in respect of an Associate Member is £28.00.

Office Bearers

The following were elected as Office Bearers for the 2022/23 session:

President:	Rev Dez Johnston	76 votes for, 4 against
Vice-Presidents:	David Aubrey QC	79 votes for, 3 against
	Alison Chambers	79 votes for, 4 against
	Mervyn Murdock	80 votes for, 2 against
	Ian Rumbelow	81 votes for, 2 against
	Chaplain:	Rev Stewart Cutler
Treasurer:	Steve Mann	76 votes for, 6 against

Motions to amend Brigade Regulations

Council considered three motions in the name of the Brigade Executive to amend Brigade Regulations.

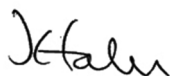
- **Motion 1**, relating to the maximum length of service for Regional Committees, was agreed (76 votes for, 7 against).
- **Motion 2**, relating to the definition of breaks of service for Trustees, was agreed (75 votes for, 4 against).
- **Motion 3**, relating to the quorum for the Brigade Executive, was agreed (70 votes for, 13 against).

Any Other Business

There was no other business.

Council watched a video message from Rev Dez Johnston, Brigade President, who reflected on his first 12 months in the role and his hopes for the future.

The Chair thanked leaders for attending, as well as the members of Brigade Staff and the Brigade Executive who contributed to the day.



Jonathan Eales
Chief Executive
September 2022