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**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
held on Thursday, 19 June 2025 at 2.00 pm (BST)  
at Austin Court, Birmingham B1**

Sir Warren East, President, in the Chair

**1. Announcements**

- 1.1. The President welcomed members to the Annual General Meeting which would present reports and updates on achievements on the year 2024, plans for the next few years, a report from Council, followed by the Annual Report and Accounts.
- 1.2. It was noted that members had been invited to submit questions by emailing the IET or via the online chat facility provided by the live webcast of the meeting.
- 1.3. There was a live webcast of the meeting and a recording would be available afterwards on iet.tv (<https://tv.theiet.org/?videoid=18218>).

**2. Notice of Meeting**

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

**3. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Members Annual Information Event held on 20 June 2024 were taken as read.

**4. Report from the President**

- 4.1. The President made a presentation on the IET's activities in 2024 and its plans for the future.
- 4.2. A range of questions were posed from the floor, to which the President responded. These included points relating to the number of volunteers engaged in the IET's work; the benefit to society from the translation of science into positive outcomes, especially by businesses in using AI and quantum computing, and how good policy support is important to support this; and collaboration with other Professional Engineering Institutions alongside the Engineering Council.

**5. Report from Council**

- 5.1. The President introduced Mr Alkis Spyrou (Chair of Council) and invited him to make a presentation on behalf of Council.
- 5.2. During his report, Mr Spyrou informed the audience of the remit of Council, the work and discussion topics that Council had engaged with during 2024 and into 2025, and the collaborative relationship between Council, Trustees and staff to drive the IET's strategy.

## **6. Trustees Report and Financial Statements**

- 6.1. The President introduced a (pre-filmed) presentation from Ms Fiona Condron (BDO LLP) making a statement on behalf of the auditors regarding the audit of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024, in which she reported that the IET (including its subsidiary companies) had received an unqualified audit opinion.
- 6.2. The President introduced Dr Simon Hart (Honorary Treasurer) who gave a detailed report on the IET accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024.
- 6.3. The President and the Chief Executive and Secretary replied to questions from the floor.

## **7. Appointment of Auditors**

The President moved that BDO LLP be appointed as the Institution of Engineering and Technology's auditors for 2025. The motion was approved by the floor.

## **8. Foothold**

The President asked Mr Alan Watts, Trustee of Foothold (the IET benevolent fund) to give a presentation on the work of Foothold, including the breadth of this work outside of purely financial assistance. Mr Watts was pleased to discuss Foothold with members after the meeting.

## **9. Votes of Thanks**

- 9.1. Ms Dawn Ohlson (Deputy President) proposed that the Best Thanks of the IET be accorded to the Honorary Officers, volunteers and members of all Boards and Committees of the Institution of Engineering and Technology.
- 9.2. The President proposed that the Best Thanks of the IET be accorded to the staff of the Institution.

## **10. Close**

The President closed the meeting.