

# 101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment (Explosive Ordnance Disposal)

## Regimental Association

Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting Held at Hudson House Catford 17<sup>th</sup> March 2009

Present. 22

Meeting Opened at 2015hrs

### 1. **Opening Address**

- a. Commanding Officer 101 Engr Regt welcomed all present and thanked them for their attendance at the launch of the 101 Engineer Regiment Regimental Association. He informed the meeting that the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the formation of the Middlesex Engineers is in 2010 and thought it was an auspicious moment to consider re-forming the Regimental Association. He hoped that the Association would ensure that this Anniversary is celebrated in a suitable manner by current & former members of the Regiment.
- b. The CO gave the rationale for the proposed association and the options open to the membership; either to go ahead or to form a 101 Engr Regt Royal Engineers Association Branch.
- c. A show of hands was requested on forming the Regimental Association as part of the REA and the vote was unanimously against.
- d. A show of hands was requested on forming the Regimental Association independent of the REA and this was unanimously carried.

### 2. **Constitution**

- a. The CO gave an overview of the draft constitution, the proposed future of the regiment and the effects of the proposal to the constitution of the association.

### 3. **Draft Constitution and Proposed Amendments**

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a. The following amendments were proposed and agreed by the meeting:

- i. 2.2.5.8 delete 'borrow or'.
- ii. 3.1 insert '101 Engr Regt Wksp REME.
- iii. 3.2 to be rewritten.
- iv. Insert 6.2.6 2 x non serving members to be elected at AGM.
- v. 6.3.3 insert 'WO/' before SNCO.
- vi. 6.3.5 insert Cfn / Pte after Spr and 'annually' after nominated.
- vii. 6.5 Insert 'at least' before twice annually.
- viii. 6.5 Insert 'and any other members of the association upon request' after all members of the committee.

b. Subscriptions. Following some discussion it was agreed by those present that membership fees would be set at:

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| i. Serving Members/Civilian Employees of 101 Engr Regt: | £10.00 p.a. |
| ii. Members   | £25.00 p.a. |
| iii. Members over 65                                    | £10.00 p.a. |

c. Charitable status. Following discussion it was agreed that the charitable status of the association should be checked; both with the charities commission and with the relevant military authority.

Those present were asked to vote on the following; "That the amendments list above, including the rewritten paragraph 3.2 be are accepted".

Carried

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### 4. Election of Officers

#### a. President

That the Honorary Colonel of 101 Engr Regt be approached to be President.

Proposed by Lt Col AMG Smyth

Seconded by Capt N P Clark

Carried

#### a. Chairman

That Maj J Blades is elected Chairman.

Proposed by Capt N P Clark

Seconded by Lt Col A Wood

Carried

#### b. Treasurer

That Capt S Mercer is elected Treasurer

Proposed by Capt N P Clark

Seconded by Lt Col A Wood

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c. Secretary

That Capt N P Clark is elected Secretary.

Proposed by WO1 (RSM) I Mackintosh

Seconded by Maj P Webb

Carried

d. Membership Secretary

That WO2 (Rtd) B D Churcher is elected Membership Secretary.

Proposed by Capt N P Clark

Seconded by Maj R Holland

Carried

e. Non serving Member

That Maj(Rtd) R Holland is elected as non serving member.

Proposed by Capt D Smith

Seconded by Maj J R Manley

Carried

f. Non serving Member

That Capt (Rtd) D Smith is elected as non serving member.

Proposed by Lt Col SMG Smyth

Seconded by Maj R Holland

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### 5. **Date of First Committee Meeting**

It was agreed that the first meeting should be held as soon as possible. The secretary will discuss dates with the Chairman and contact the committee with options.

### 6. **Any Other Business**

None

Lt Col Smyth thanked everyone for attending and for their support and wished the Committee well.

Meeting closed at 2145hrs.