

**Minutes of BCS Bedford Branch  
Annual General Meeting 2015**

**Held in the Bridge Suite, The Park Inn Hotel, St Marys St, Bedford, MK42 0AR  
On Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 8.00pm**

**Present:**

Ip-Shing Fan	Chairman / Education Liaison	IF
Saverio Bongo	Secretary / Email Co-ordinator	SB
Richard Maddison	Treasurer	RM
Ian Wilson	Webmaster	IW
Sue Brandreth	Membership Secretary	SB1
	Education Liaison Officer	
Chris Ireland	Committee Member	CI
Plus members of the	audience who attended the	
	Cyber Security talk.	

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Bob Bethell (BB), Chris Knight (CK) and Karl Rivers (KR)

**2. Minutes of Last AGM Meeting**

The Minutes of the 2014 AGM were accepted as a true record.

**3. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising not covered by the 2014 AGM Agenda.

**4. Chairman's Report**

See attached Chairman's Report

**5. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer (RM) reported the Branch had a successful year with the number of talks plus keeping within the budget constraints set by BCS HQ and where the Treasurer was complimented. It appears 2015 will be another filled diary with interesting and thought provoking talks.

**6. Secretary's Report**

See attached Secretary's Report.

**7. Election of Committee**

Call for nominations was issued in the summer and an online election planned. However, the number of nominations received was low and no election was necessary. The following officers were declared as elected

**The Elected Officers for 2015 were as follows:**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Nominated</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Seconded</b>	<b>Result</b>
Chairman/ Email Co-ordinator	Ip-Shing Fan	Richard Maddison	Sue Brandreth	Elected
Secretary/Email Co-ordinator	Saverio Bongo	Ip-Shing Fan	Richard Maddison	Elected
Treasurer	Richard Maddison	Ip-Shing Fan	Sue Brandreth	Elected
Webmaster	Ian Wilson	Ip-Shing Fan	Richard Maddison	Elected
Membership Secretary/ Education Liaison Officer	Sue Brandreth	Ip-Shing Fan	Richard Maddison	Elected
Committee Member	Chris Ireland	Ip-Shing Fan	Richard Maddison	Elected

The Chairman would like to thank and acknowledge the support the Bedford Branch received from the outgoing Committee Members:

Chris Knight – Shadowing the Treasurer,  
 Bob Bethell – Schools Project,  
 Karl Rivers – Social Media,  
 who served the Branch during 2014/5.

**8. Any Other Business**

None

The Chairman declared the formal AGM meeting closed at 20:15

Guest Speaker – D/Supt. Jon Gilbert, Cyber Hub Unit, Bedfordshire Police.

The chairman thanked the Guest Speaker for sharing the work his Cyber Hub Unit at Bedfordshire Police are doing to combat cybercrime in the community alongside Academia and Industry. The Branch Chairman and Guest Speaker agreed to collaborate to reach out to a wider audience and engage with the local schools, commerce and industry.

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