

MID GLOUCESTERSHIRE BRANCH AT THE PELICAN INN, GLOUCESTER

2nd December 2025

Committee Present: Peter Bennetts (PB), Chris Hall (CH), Chris Laming (CL), David Ashbee (DA), Patrick Mills (PM), Tony Hill (TH), Rob Tough (RT). Total at meeting: 8. This meeting was advertised as open to all members.

Apologies: Rob Tough

1. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Accepted

2. Chairman's Update

<https://midgloucestershire.camra.org.uk/Minutes/2025-12-Chairman-Report.pdf>

3. Treasurer's Report

Bank balance as expected. Nothing to report.

4. Membership Update

Rob Tough has returned to the Membership Secretary Role.

5. Area Reports

a. Forest of Dean –

b. Cirencester –

<https://midgloucestershire.camra.org.uk/Minutes/2025-12-Cirencester.pdf>

c. Dursley –

<https://midgloucestershire.camra.org.uk/Minutes/2025-12-Dursley.pdf>

d. Stroud –

e. Gloucester –

6. Constitution

The constitution, as proposed by PB based on the model constitution, was discussed however it was decided that it required more time. The constitution will be a focus of the next branch meeting. 25/Dec #2

7. Outcome of the RD Meeting 1st November

The overwhelming view was that this meeting was unhelpful. The RD continued to insist he did not take certain actions, despite multiple separate pieces of evidence to the contrary.

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8. GBG & Timescales

A deadline of January 30th 2026 was agreed for areas to produce their shortlist of entries for the GBG. These are to be discussed and finalised at the February meeting. 25/Dec #2

9. Pub, Club, Cider Pubs of the Year

A deadline of January 4th 2026 for the Area Awards to be decided was agreed. The judging for Branch Awards shall take place during January and February and will follow the same procedure used in the prior Gloucestershire Branch with a deadline of 28th February 2026 for all scores to be sent to the Branch Secretary. 25/Dec #3

CH will create documents clarifying procedures to be published on the website. 25/Dec #4
PB will contact CAMRA regarding the wording and printing of the Award certificates. 25/Dec#5

10. Tippler

Some of the Winter Tipplers had been collected and delivered. It was agreed work needed to be done to clarify how the branch will operate with distribution. 25/Dec #5

11. Socials

The weekly socials in Gloucester and the Forest of Dean will wind down before the Christmas period. It is expected that these will become fortnightly/monthly in 2026.

Stroud are still planning to visit the Tewkesbury Winter Ales Festival on Friday 6th with all welcome to join.

12. Actions Update

Ref		Responsibility	
25/Oct #1	Review the versions of the constitutions presented in 25/Aug #1	All	Ongoing
25/Oct #2	The reinstatement of Sub Branches	All. To be discussed at November meeting with RD	Meeting Complete. No Outcome. All Area Coordinators to be assigned to Vice Chair online.
25/Oct #3	The return of stored items to HQ	PB	Complete
25/Oct #4	Branch Area Coordinators to resume bringing area reports to meeting	All branch ACs	Complete
25/Oct #5	Return of funds to HQ	PB / Treasurer	Complete
25/Oct #6	Provide a provisional list of GBG 2027 candidates for their area	All branch ACs	Ongoing
25/Oct #7	Send a Comms regarding scoring/voting/GBG pubs	PB to write. CH to send.	Complete
25/Oct #8	Save the 12 Bells Comms to all branch members	PM	Complete
25/Oct #9	Set up DA onto CAMRA	CH	Complete



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	branch system		
25/Oct #10	Contact RH regarding coordinating Pub Data	CH	Complete

Actions:

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25/Dec #1	Read & Review the proposed Branch Constitution by February meeting	All
25/Dec #2	Area GBG Entry shortlists to be confirmed by January 30th	All ACs
25/Dec #3	Area Awards to be decided and confirmed with Committee by January 4th	All ACs
25/Dec #4	Branch Award documentation created and available on the website	CH
25/Dec #5	Printing of Area Award Certificates	PB

Next Meeting: 3rd February 2026, The Pelican, Gloucester