CLE secretary’s report for the AGM

Now that I have completed my second year as the association’s secretary, I have been better able to consolidate the structures that I initiated during the previous year.

Over and above the normal routines placed upon this position in order to comply with the myriad of French administration, there has been a much-reduced level of involvement in the last twelve months, primarily as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

As I had outlined in my report at the end of the 2019 membership year, all correspondence, together with the publication of all notices is now achieved electronically. To aide this, and as a result of my French language skills, I have often been able to help and advise both the committee and its membership in advance of these being readily available in the English language. Additionally, these attributes have sometimes allowed me to glean a deeper understanding of the detailed matters concerning such issues as the Brexit transition and offer a clear synopsis as to what has been published.

Personally, and also along with my colleagues on your committee, I have very much missed being part of the organisation and participation in the many social activities that we have all enjoyed in the years before Covid. As these restrictions still remain ahead of us, I suspect that it will be some significant time before we shall be able to return fully to those times.

I remain very committed to my role as the association’s secretary and I am quite repaired to continue into the same position in the following year if that is the member’s wish.