

Arundel Community Land Trust

MINUTES OF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY AT ARUNDEL TOWN HALL

Present: Tom Basham, Adrian Burrows, Pete Crowe, Wendy Eve, Darrell Gale, Carole Jones, Ash Kent, Hilary Knight, Graham Lane, Daphne Leighton, Peter Neuner, Alison Pallis, Martryn Pettifer, Mark Phillips, Marc Rankin, Charles Rogers, Simon Rose, Chris Spratt, James Stewart, Paul Summers, Michael Ward.

1. Welcome

The Chair, Darrell Gale, welcomed the 18 members attending and a further two people who completed membership application forms before the meeting began. He also welcomed observers from Slindon CLT (Peter Fenton, Mark Ford and Florence Halliwell).

2. Apologies for absence and proxy votes

Apologies received from Carolyn Baynes, Julie Buckle, Nicola Greenwood, Colin and Jackie Heriot, John Godfrey, Sue Roderick, Carole de Silva and Ann Sutton. Proxy Vote forms had been offered to people sending their apologies in advance and three had been returned to be used at the meeting. There are some issues about Children's votes which we need to clarify when we adopt Standing Orders.

3. Report on set up of CLT and activities to date

DG spoke about a series of slides explaining the background to the set up of Arundel CLT and activities to date.

4. Secretary's report

Hilary Knight reported that Rules had been registered on 13 August 2019, signed by four subscriber Directors and we have over 50 shareholding members with a few applications in the pipeline and including four children.

5. Treasurer's report

James Stewart reported on the financial position: we have a £5,000 start up grant from Arun District Council and £68 from member shares. The only expenditure so far has been on registering the Rules and communications (website and printing leaflets) and we have a balance of £4,066.

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At this stage in the meeting the following questions were asked, and responses provided by the subscriber Directors and Tom Warder (responses will be posted on a Frequency Asked Questions section of the website):

- How will things work with the 7 Shared Ownership units which are part of the Ford Road project with the Norfolk Estate (Mark Phillips)
- How will things work with the Registered Provider for the Ford Road project e.g competition and risk of RP not involving CLT (Chris Spratt)
- Ford Road project: who controls the appliances and offers for – how ensure priority for local people in context of national legislation, Human Rights etc.? (Chris Spratt)
- What influence will the CLT have on the communal parts of the site? (Paul Summers)
- Will the CLT address the housing needs of doctors and nurses we need to attract to serve local population (Charles Rogers)
- Will the CLT address the housing needs of people being forced out of Arundel to cheaper areas who do not qualify to register on the Arun DC housing register (Carol Jones)
- What is the position about tenants' Right to Buy? (Chris Spratt)
- Will architectural quality and design be compromised by cost pressures? (Chris Spratt).

6. Election of Directors

HK explained the issues covered in the paper she had circulated prior to the meeting. She reported that Pat Kane and Charles Loxley had withdrawn their nominations due to other commitments. The 11 prospective Directors present introduced themselves.

It was proposed by Darrell Gale and seconded by James Stewart that we:

- (a) Reappoint the four subscriber directors until the first Annual General Meeting i.e. Wendy Eve, Darrell Gale, Hilary Knight and James Stewart.
- (b) Thank all those who have completed nomination forms to become a Director, invite them to join the Steering Group, participate in current CLT business, and, attend the proposed event for prospective directors to be held in time for Directors to be appointed at the AGM.
- (c) Establish a working group to report back on governance issues such as board size, skills mix, competencies and selection progress for consideration at the board/Steering Group meeting on Thursday 26 March.

Passed unanimously by a show of hands.

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