



Eastington Community Land Trust Ltd. (ECLT)

Fiftieth Meeting of Board Members

Thursday 4th April 2019

at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall

Minutes

1. Attendance Tom Morrison (chair) (TM), Alan Brasier (AB), Lynne Farnden (Treasurer) (LF), Muriel Bullock (vice chair) (MB), Cllr John Jones (JJ), Ed Davies, Ann Pitcher.

Apologies: Tom Low (Secretary) (TL), Karl Hine, Aster (KH), Alison Loveridge (AL), Paul Mannings (PM), Martin Elliot (ME), Sharon Wells (SW), Cllr Mark Chatterley (MC),

Declarations of Interest: There were none

Questions to the Board: There were none

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Board Meeting of 21st March 2019 were unanimously approved and signed by TM.

3. Financial and Administration Report

There was one cheque for NCLT membership. Balance of funds according to the Cash Book has to include BPE until such time as a credit note is received, leaving clear funds of £1,790.28, assuming BPE issue a credit note (see minute 3 of 49th Meeting)

4. Legal Matters

4.1 Progress on S 106 items

TM reported that TL had written to our landowners to explain the remaining steps and copied in Red Kite. No positive or negative reaction from either party and no response from Red Kite on the draft S 106 so far.

SDC had responded to our compromise on the cascade (49th meeting, minute 4.1) by further truncating the steps in the cascade. It was felt that we had to push back on this because it put the employment criteria *above* that of residency, contrary to several Board votes.

TM described a letter to our solicitor, worded as a direct response to SDC, which those present recommended to all Board members.

Level 1: Family Connection or Residency for 3 out of last 5 years

Level 2: Employment or Residency for 6 out of last 12 months

Level 3: local parishes Level 4: All of Stroud DC

(Secy notes: (a) approved by e-mail unanimously (b) forwarded to SDC by Mr Curran).

Signed by TM, Chair..... 18th April 2019

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4.2 Funding from Homes England

TL had conveyed ECLT's concerns about the approach and tardiness of the Homes England solicitors, to Tom Chance at National CLT. His intervention was registered by Homes England but there remained no concrete progress from last meeting.

ACTION: KH

4.3 Progress on access easement with Highways England (HE)

KH had reported good progress with HE sales division, who now had all the information they required. HE had given a target date for conclusion of 17th April.

ACTION: KH

5. Implementation of Conditional Contract

5.1 Apparent extra Zayo fibre cable track

Mat Vye of EG Carter met with TL, AB and our landowner to agree a process for digging additional trial pits. AB reported that he would attend the digging on April 5th (*secy note: the cables were up to 6 metres east of where Zayo had plotted them in 2017*). KH is now in correspondence with Zayo's parent company to establish a solution. Members expressed a will to ensure that Zayo be financially responsible for this significant error.

ACTION: KH

5.2 Joint Aster/ECLT press release

TM presented a draft press release provided by Aster parts of which he had already amended. Members made further adjustments which TM forwarded to Aster to hold until we receive full planning permission.

6. Preparation for outcome of HNS

TL had obtained a quotation for a research paper which was too close to our current bank balance. Postponed to next meeting.

ACTION: TL

7. Date of next meeting,

Agreed as at 18th April at 7 pm in the Village Hall. ME and LF gave notice of apologies.

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm

Tom Low, Secretary, April 2019

CIRCULATION

Board of Trustees

Webmaster: Ed Davies

General Members attending

Aster Group Karl Hine (KH)

Parish Council Cllr Mark Chatterley

GLOSSARY: As per previous minutes

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