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SLACC tt CIO (Incorporated) No. 1202875

AGM 2023 Date: 26 April 2024

Venue: Castle Street Centre, Kendal

Trustees Present:

Alan Lovett, Angela Lovett, Duncan Pollard, Chris Rowley, Carole Wood (chair)

Other attendees:

Members

Henry Adams, Anne Blackburn, Janet Chetwood, Nick Chetwood, Graham Clarke, Janet Clarke, John Fleetwood, Ian Hackett, Jo Haughton, Peter Jones, John Nash, Daniel Rayson, Wendy Lethbridge, Jane Willis

Guests

Craig Russell, Bruce Withington

Apologies:

Brian Woodward, Jan Goodey. Monica Tweddle, Nic Tweddle, Lenka Brundikova, Liz Hendry, Jo Magne, Hannah Wright

Welcome

- Carole welcomed everybody and explained that this was an AGM for both the original, unincorporated SLACC, and the newer incorporated charity.
- She noted that Sally Fleming has stood down as a trustee. We thank Sally for her invaluable work.
- Carole indicated that she was standing down as Chair after this meeting, but would continue as a trustee
- Only members were eligible to vote in the meeting

Minutes for AGM 2022

- The Minutes for the 2022 AGM had been circulated to members prior to the meeting.
- John Nash, proposed that they be accepted, Janet Clarke seconded. There were 16 votes in favour, none against, with 3 abstentions.
- There were no matters arising.

Treasurer's Report and accounts

- The treasurer's report, summary, and accounts had been circulated before the meeting.
- Alan (Treasurer) presented a slide showing the financial information in the format presented to the
 trustees at their meetings. He explained sources of income and significant expenditure and answered
 questions. He pointed out that the moneys connected to the coal mine campaign remained with the
 original charity, while all other moneys were now handled by the newer one.
- Carole thanked Alan for his extensive work on the finances
- Chris then presented two simplified slides detailing income and expenditure, and answered questions.
- Angela proposed that the accounts be accepted. Nick Chetwood seconded. There were 20 votes for, none against and one abstention.

Annual Report

- The report of Activities was circulated to members prior to the meeting by Chris Rowley.
- Duncan reported on waste into well being. He noted that: the quantity of food saved from waste continued to increase; a contribution was made to the reduction of food poverty in Kendal and the development of social cohesions; work was in hand to convert the sports hall behind the United Reform church chapel (The Eddington) into a centre for the café, food distribution and much more. He answered questions
- Duncan reported on the coal mine Campaign. After much delay, there is now a date (27-29 July 2024) for the Supreme court hearing. Financial costs for the legal work had risen. The crowd funding appeal had been re-opened, and possible donors approached.
- Jo reported on the Woolly saddle cargo bike project. Following a successful five week trial last year, we now have a team of trained cargo bike riders. Possibilities are being explored for a site from which bikes can be used, particularly by local businesses. Models around the country were being studied. She answered questions
- Chris reviewed objectives for 2023, and outlined activities for the 2024. It is hoped to involve members more closely in future plans, once the coal mine campaign is over and the Eddington café and larder are open.

Election of Trustees and post holders

- For the original charity: Angela and Duncan stood down, as required by the constitution, and indicated they were willing to stand for re-election.
- Angela was proposed by Wendi, seconded by Anne. There were 20 votes for, none against and one abstention
- Duncan was proposed by Janet Clarke, seconded by John Nash. There were 20 votes for, none against and one abstention.

- For the incorporated charity, all trustees had to be voted upon, in accordance with the constitution. Anne introduced herself as a prospective trustee. Daniel proposed a block vote for all prospective trustees (Alan, Angela Anne, Carole, Duncan, Chris). This was seconded by Jane. There were 19 votes for, none against, with one abstention. The meeting then proceeded to the actual vote on the trustees, proposed by Karen, seconded by Janet Clarke. There were 20 votes for, none against and no abstentions.
- It was noted that two other potential trustees were in touch, Kim Beaumont & Phil Clayton. If all goes well they will be co-opted as trustees and voted on at the next AGM.

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Formal Close

• Carole offered thanks to all for their contributions. Craig drew attention to a Returning Nature to Kendal conference on 18th May.

Speaker

Karen Mitchell from Cumbria action for sustainability and Zero carbon Partnership Cumbria gave a detailed account of the work being done to move Cumbria along the path to zero carbon. A great deal of preparatory and exploratory work had been done and clear plans made. She focused especially on emissions from buildings and ways forward on that.

Karen was thanked for her talk and the meeting closed at 8.35. pm.