

Trustee Board Meeting – Minutes – 22.06.17

Location: 22 Station Road, Kennett

Present:

Robin Swanson (RS)
Frank Danks (FD)
Paul Swanson (PS)
Darren Watson (DW)
Tim Foddy (TF)
Cheryl Jowett (CJ)
Lynne McCallum (LMc)
Hugo Runciman (HR)

The meeting was opened at 1934 by the chair (RS) who welcomed all present and thanked everyone for their attendance.

The minutes of the previous Trustee Board meeting on 30.05.17 had been circulated to all trustees prior to this meeting for review. Those minutes were reviewed and accepted as a true record by all who attended. The minutes were signed accordingly.

An “e” mail from a member had been received requesting that representatives of the Kennett Action Group meet with the Trustees to explore the possibility of working with the board. This had been initiated as a result of a meeting convened by the Kennett Action Group to discuss the proposed development on Dane Hill Farm and which had been attended on a personal basis by four of the trustees. Detailed feedback from the trustees attending had already been provided. The content of the member’s communication varied in a number of areas from the trustee’s feedback.

The chair (RS) reviewed the background to this situation in detail before the board discussed the request at length. There followed a comprehensive and robust discussion which covered all potential options. There was some uncertainty about the status, objectives and scope of the Group’s membership within the discussion. Finally a vote on the options followed which, by a majority vote, identified that, in the interests of democracy, transparency and fairness to the remainder of the wider CLT membership, the Board could only engage in communication with those who were KCLT members. It was therefore decided to convene a Special General meeting to engage the entire membership with the

current situation regarding the Dane Hill Farm proposal and to invite additional items for the agenda to clarify any concerns.

The chair (RS) committed to respond to the member's "e- mail" advising the board's decision and also to communicate the decision to convene a Special General Meeting and an invitation to request agenda input to the full membership.

Action: (RS)

A Trustee Board meeting to plan the agenda prior to The SGM was agreed for 6th July 2017. It was emphasised that the SGM would be strictly restricted to members only in accordance with Trust rules.

In the light of the preceding item and as a result of the feedback from the Kennett Action Group meeting it was decided to review the Trust's position on the proposed additional development on Longstones Stud.

For the reasons previously identified and communicated to the proposer's agent, the Trust's position remains unchanged and should this proposal be included in the Local Plan in the future, engagement may be appropriate at that time.

AOB.

A meeting with ECDC is planned for the 30th June and a further negotiation meeting with PGH by the negotiating sub group planned for 20th July. Feedback from both meetings will be communicated to the board when available.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 2107.

Frank Danks – KCLT Secretary.