



LITTLE CHALFONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

15th March 2017 at 8pm

Those Present:

Committee Members: Roger Funk (Chairman), Lisa Horne (Secretary), Ted Cooper, Shirley Strange and Helen Tyers.

Others: 66 members (including the Committee above) signed the attendance sheets.

Apologies were received from: Adrian Lockyer, Bill & Ann Wright, Robin & Carolyn Chaventre, Paul & Ann Gray, Geoff & Sheila Marshall-Taylor, Eillen Troughton, Colin Steele, Janice Gray, Phil & Ann Chapman, David & Ann Rafferty.

Introduction

Roger Funk welcomed everyone and described the format for the meeting. Members were reminded that only one vote is permitted per household.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the AGM held on 16th March 2016 had previously been circulated to members and were also available at the meeting. Roger Funk and Tony O'Sullivan proposed the approval of the Minutes of the AGM and this was agreed unanimously by a show of hands.

Chair's Report

Roger had distributed his written report in advance of the meeting.

There being no concerns or questions, Roger sought the adoption of his report. This was seconded by Mike Rosemeyer and agreed unanimously by a show of hands.

Treasurer's Report

A document containing the Treasurer's Report and the Accounts had been provided to members on arrival at the meeting.

There being no concerns or questions, Ted proposed that the Accounts be adopted. This was seconded by Peter Burgess and agreed unanimously by a show of hands.

Election of Officers and Committee Members

Roger expressed his thanks to Stephanie Buller, who was standing down from the Committee, for her hard work and support over recent months.

A document attached to the Agenda related that three Committee members were due for re-election, namely Lisa Horne, Ted Cooper and Tony O'Sullivan.

Drina Parker proposed that Lisa be re-elected. This was seconded by Andrew Blatherwick and agreed unanimously by a show of hands.

Shirley Strange proposed that Ted be re-elected. This was seconded by Andrew Blatherwick and agreed unanimously by a show of hands.

Gill Roberts proposed that Tony be re-elected. This was seconded by Richard Bradley and agreed unanimously by a show of hands.

Roger stated that as in previous years, a number of Committee roles remain vacant and any assistance members could provide in filling the roles would be gratefully received. Nominations for the Committee could be accepted from the floor. None were forthcoming.

Election of an Independent Examiner

Thanks were expressed to John Small for his work in conducting the Independent Examination of the Accounts this past year.

Roger noted that John Small was stepping down and that Colin Steele has agreed to fulfil the role of Independent Examiner. This was proposed by Ted Cooper and seconded by Michael Parker and unanimously approved by a show of hands.

Financial Reserves & Planning

A document containing three resolutions and the reasons for them had been provided to members on arrival at the meeting. Any members who had not read them were asked to do so.

Resolution 1

That the committee of the Association is authorised to continue drawing on its planning reserves to cover or contribute to any professional advice and other costs required in connection with the Emerging Local Plan of Chiltern and South Bucks District Councils. This to be conditional on such expenditure being recommended by the Little Chalfont Coordination Group and endorsed by the Little Chalfont Parish Council.

One question was raised in connection with the quantity of the reserves and attention was drawn to reason 8. There being no further questions the resolution was proposed by Roger Funk and the Committee and seconded by John Greensmith.

One member objected on the grounds that the Government white paper meant that the members were being asked to agree to something which was unknown. The resolution was approved by a show of hands.

Resolution 2

That the committee of the Association is authorised to organise an appeal to the community of Little Chalfont to raise funds that are needed to cover any additional monies that may be required for specific expert advice to support the representations being made to Chiltern and South Bucks District Councils concerning the Emerging Local Plan. This to be conditional on such need being recommended by the Little Chalfont Coordination Group and endorsed by the Little Chalfont Parish Council.

There being no questions the resolution was proposed by Roger Funk and the Committee, seconded and approved by a unanimous show of hands

Resolution 3

That should an appeal for funds be launched as set out in Resolution 2 and the outcome results in monies received being in excess of the requirement, these monies are held by the Community Association in its reserves for planning matters, whether for further expenditure for professional advice in connection with the Emerging Local Plan or future planning issues in which the Community Association may decide to become involved.

There being no questions the resolution was proposed by Roger Funk and the Committee, seconded and approved by a unanimous show of hands

Any Other Business

No other business had been received in advance of the meeting

Roger closed the AGM at 8.18 p.m.