
Minutes for the Annual General Meeting of

Hook Norton Low Carbon Limited

held on Tuesday 18th September, 2018 at 7:30pm

Number of members in attendance : 40

Number of additional attendees : 3

Number of apologies : 7

Minutes

1 Introductions

Tim Lunel (TL) opened the meeting and ran through the agenda for the evening. Anthony Akner was introduced as the new Car Club Coordinator, and Davd Newton was given a vote of thanks for running the car club so successfully over the past years.

2 Report of the Committee – Ongoing Activities

Householder and Community loans – uptake is very slow, but still available.

Biodiesel – HNLC has been unable to source a new supplier so the biodiesel facility is closed for the foreseeable future.

Car Club – plans for Hook Norton To become an exemplar Electric Community – to be discussed later in the meeting.

Ebikes – available for hire at £2 per day.

3 Financial Summary

Mike Richardson (MR) provided a presentation of the finances from the previous year (copy of slides accompany these Minutes), highlighting the fact that part of the Community housing expenses will be reclaimed from ERDF grants.

4 Financial Forecast

The presentation also included a forecast for the next financial year.

5 Appointment of Auditor (Rule 52)

Resolution proposed in the Agenda for the meeting – vote for HNLC to apply audit exemption in accordance with Rule 52(b)

TL confirmed the adopted rules allow the members of the society to vote to apply audit exemption (rule 52(b) and (c)), if in the preceding financial year the society 'met such criteria regarding low levels of income and/or expenditure or other factors as to qualify it for statutory exemption from the need to appoint qualified auditors.'

TL's proposal to apply audit exemption in accordance with Rule 52(b) was agreed unanimously by a show of hands.

6 Application of surplus (HNLC Rule 57)

Resolution – 100% to the continuation and development of the Society, 0% to making payments for social and charitable purposes

TL explained that the proposal means all income is used for the continuation and development of the Society and proposed that we should continue with this resolution. The proposal was agreed unanimously by a show of hands on the application of surplus, with 100% for the continuation and development of the Society.



7 Election of management committee

Resignations : TL thanked David Newton for his input over the years.

The list of nominations include the 11 remaining Board Members and one additional nominee.

Nominations	Charlie Luxton	Current Chairperson
	Tim Lunel	Current Secretary
	Mike Richardson	Current Treasurer
	Bethan Dennick	Existing Member of the Committee
	Catherine Hayward	Existing Member of the Committee
	Jem Hayward	Existing Member of the Committee
	Steph Klejdys	Existing Member of the Committee
	Frank Lucas	Existing Member of the Committee
	Hugh Pidgeon	Existing Member of the Committee
	Catherine Ryan	Existing Member of the Committee
	David Shepherd	Existing Member of the Committee
	Antony Ackner	New Member – Car Club Lead

TL proposed that all nominations should be elected onto the Board, and members agreed by show of hands to elect all nominated candidates. Posts will be decided at the next Board Meeting.

The official business of the AGM was concluded by 20.05

TL introduced the theme of the evening – One Planet Living, and showed the opening 7 minutes of the Dame Ellen MacArthur talk at TED2015 :

https://www.ted.com/talks/dame_ellen_macarthur_the_surprising_thing_i_learned_sailing_solo_around_the_world#t-411286

Members spent 5 minutes talking amongst themselves about the film and what it meant to them.

Hugh Pidgeon (HP) brought the group back together to watch a 3 minute film from Bioregional describing the One Planet principals :

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=vWdJi54czh0&noapp=1&client=mv-google>

Field Code Changed

Frank Lucas (FL) outlined the way that recent HNLC Strategy Meeting talks mirror the One Planet Living principals, focusing on a couple of areas that the Board hopes to develop over the coming years. It is hoped that changes in the Car Club and its fleet will enable Hook Norton to become an exemplar Electric Community for Transport. The Community Housing project is at an exciting stage and FL introduced Cathy Ryan (CR) to update members on the project.

CR talked about the project status and invited members to spread the word about the Vision and Design Workshop being held on Thursday 27th September at the Sports and Social Club, when interested parties will work with the Architects – Charlie Luxton Designs, to look at possible site layouts and design of homes and shared areas.

Members split into smaller groups to discuss areas that they were particularly interested in

- Car Club and the Electric Future
- Food and Farming
- Wildlife and Nature Conservation
- Waste and Recycling
- Home Energy & Household Insulation

TL reconvened the group and closed the meeting at 21.30