

Mark Community Land Trust

Company No 7131R

Minutes of a Board meeting held on 7 August 2017 at 7.30pm

Present: Mark Johnson Chairman/Director

Angela Purvis Vice Chair/Director

Amanda Bradley Director

Apologies:

12. These were received from Angela Cullimore, Alison Human and Harriet McKenzie.

Approval of Minutes:

13. These were agreed as a true record. Proposed by Angela Purvis and seconded by Amanda Bradley.

Matters Arising:

14. All previous actions had been fulfilled or are covered by the Agenda.

Grant of Planning Permission:

- 15. The MCLT directors expressed their disappointment and concern over the approval of the SWHS planning application by both Mark Parish Council and Sedgemoor District Council, despite the fact that the SWHS application is a mirror image of the previous MCLT board's application and not a 'clean' application as stated by SWHS.
- 16. The MCLT board remain in dispute with SWHS over copyright issues and the fact that the SWHS application contains incorrect information.
- 17. The directors agreed to write to Sedgemoor District Council executives again regarding the flaws in the SWHS application and copy in Cllr Human and Cllr Costello.



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18. The current directors and the majority of MCLT members support the need for affordable housing but do not support the Northwick Road site due to highways and flooding concerns.

Future of MCLT:

- 19. It was agreed by all present that, given Mark Parish Council's and Sedgemoor District Council's obvious enthusiasm and commitment to affordable housing in the village, that there is a definite role for MCLT to pursue further sites. 3 landowners have come forward so far and it is believed that there are also at least two other potential sites adjacent to the current village boundary.
- 20. There are also other interesting community projects around the UK that the MCLT could pursue, such as the development of a community allotment or 'cycle taxis' for the elderly.

Financial Report:

- 21. The outstanding Annual Return has been completed on line as it was not done correctly by the outgoing committee.
- 22. Despite requesting on at least 3 occasions to have the MCLT bank account assigned to the new board this has still not been forthcoming and remains an issue.
- 23. Currently the new directors have no access to the MCLT finances. Alison Human to contact the previous finance director again to try and resolve.

Any Other Business:

24. There was none.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00 pm