

Moretonhampstead Development Trust Special Board Meeting

11.07.23

Present: John Willis, Richard Foxwell, Rachel Kelly, Cameron Caverhill, Peter Turner, Alastair Wimberley, Nina Bailey, Helen White

Apologies: Liz Prince, Catherine Fileman Wright, Jenny Bates, Andrea Foxwell

1. JW Proposed the Agenda for AGM 17.07.23

Proposed AGM Agenda:

- 1. Welcome**
- 2. Minutes of last year AGM 08.12.22**
- 3. Elections and Retirements of Trustees**

Standing down: Liz Prince, Andrea Foxwell, Jenny Bates, Alastair Wimberley

Re-election: Richard, Nina

Applications from:

Jodi Feist King - applied as Arts Trustee

Koi Thompson - has said he will apply but no application received as yet

Pauline Harrison - no application received as yet

Rebecca Jameson - shown an interest and has been given a form no application received as yet

4. Accounts

Pete will present summary of the accounts and printed copies of the summary will be available at the AGM

5. Annual Report

Printed copies of the Annual Report will be available at the AGM

1. How we involve Businesses better. This section was queried as to whether to be included. Nina thought she was not the best person to speak on this

2. How we involve the Community better. Rachel to present. Rachel commented that MDT is accountable to the Community. She has two funding bids assessing the “well being” of the Community.

- Fund Trust
- Award ????

This will be for an event in September/October around the town gathering data using multiple methods; email, web, direct etc. We will have time to structure the questions. The aim is to involve as much of the community as possible.

Richard mentioned the Cost of Living project with DCC led by Camilla 21 September when MDT will be able to reach out to the Community and promote The MDT offering.

3. Greenhill Centre & Arts

Cameron to speak on the building

Carol to speak on the Arts programme. Richard suggested two speakers on the Arts. John said he would explore the possibility.

4. Health and Wellbeing

Richard and Camilla to speak and present with slides

6. Climate Action & Environmental Projects

Richard and Catherine to speak to include the Water Meadow project and update from the Carbon Reduction Group's meeting Friday 14 July. Nina, John, Catherine and Penny will attend

7. Men in Sheds

Rachel to speak on Men in Sheds. Cameron raised concern about Crowdfunding in advance of signing the lease with BT. It might be considered misleading. Rachel pointed out that the lease can't be paid without the Crowdfunding funds. Cameron was concerned about spending money before it was received for instance in legal fees. Rachel said that once we have the lease we can use it to get funding from other bodies. Crowdfunded money can be returned if the money needed is not raised.

6. The future - What should we be doing?

7. Resolutions; Change of Name to Moretonhampsted Community Trust

8. Any other business

End AGM Agenda

2. Revised Structure for the Trust

Rachel presented two Organograms to represent the Activity of the Trust with roles. And a new Structure of Project Development and Management within the Trust with Wellmoor as its delivery arm.

A new element of the Project Development Organogram includes the MDT Community Stakeholder Group to replace the Steering Group. This Group together with the community, staff and Green Hill Arts will feed new projects into MDT Finance and Governance. Rachel and Camilla will decide where to allocate the project. The aspirational/development area will be for ideas and projects to develop before moving them into Wellmoor or Green Hill Arts or, alternatively, they may stay here if they do not match the criteria of these areas. She may need another area for these projects when they reach an implementation stage. The area of Tourism and Local Economy will include Rachel having discussions with Margaret at the Information Centre. She proposes working with other organisations jointly on applications for funding. For example. "New Shared Prosperity" fund only allows one

application, and we need five. It could be done jointly with different leads on the applications. Rachel has also been sending Graham funding opportunities for the Business Group to explore.

All agreed on the Organograms. These will be presented by Rachel at the AGM

3. Associated Communications and Branding

There is a Communications meeting arranged for Tuesday 18th to discuss.

4. Change of Name of the Trust to Moretonhampstead Community Trust

It was felt that the word Development was outdated and doesn't represent MDT's direction with its focus on Community activities. John will propose a resolution at the AGM to change the name. The Charity Commissioners will need to implement the change.

5. Christmas Trees and Allotments

John commented that the Parish Council is proposing that they will do the administration for the Christmas trees to be put up in Moreton and MDT would be responsible for their installation. It was felt there were more appropriate groups for this sort of practical work like The Young Farmers or Sport Centre.

Wellmoor has agreed in principle to enter into an operating partnership with the Chagford Allotment Group whose land is owned by the Diocese of Exeter which, in turn might lead to minor legal complications. More details to follow but there will be definite synergies in working together and joint funding opportunities.

Future Meeting dates

Board Meeting 05.09.23 at 5.00pm-6.30pm

Finance Meeting 16.10.23 at 9.00am-11.30am

Board Meeting 07.11.23 at 5.00pm-6.30pm