

AGM Thursday 17th March 2016

1. Present

Dee Yorke, Peter and Brenda Worrell, Krystyna Findley, John Bailey, Amelia Platt, Celia Hanson, Margaret Bowen, John Hancock, Kay Mobley, Jane Clarke, Jo Dickens, Judy Dawson, Lynne Slipper, David Houlton, Maryanne McGinn, Paul Glynn, John and Sandie Williams, Tina Jarvis

2. Apologies

Heather Cross, Sally Williams, Sue King, Barbara and Keith Baker, Wendy Carter, Sue Houlton, John Slipper, Jane Christie. The Chair read out the comments sent in by Wendy Carter.

3. Minutes of 2015 AGM

The minutes of the meeting were approved there were no matters arising.

4. Finance Report

Kay presented her report, including the funding achieved for the new plot. She predicts a small loss for this year. Kay indicated that the committee may need to increase the subs for next year in light of this. There has not been an increase since 2008.

5. Annual report

Dee talked to the main points of the report. The success of the open day, work on the Japanese knotweed, the badger talk and the new project of purchasing a piece of land for the benefit of the members and the community.

5. New Community Interest Company

Krystyna talked the meeting through the main points of the journey that the land purchasing subcommittee has been on. The key issue was the need to set up a legal entity in order to hold the land. Without this, the FQRA would not be able to purchase the land. After a lot of research and time with Tony Todd a retired solicitor, the committee believed that the only way forward was to set up a Community Interest Company. Krystyna went through the pros and cons of setting up the recommended option of a Community Interest Company. Krystyna also thanked Tony for all his time.

Items to be voted on regarding the CIC

- a. Friends to indicate if they are favour of the committee setting up a Community Interest Company? **Everyone was in agreement**.
- b. Were the Friends in agreement that all existing funds in the FQRA account to be transferred to the new company? **Everyone was in agreement**
- c. In the event that the company is wound up, all assets once liabilities have been satisfied will have to be transferred to another asset locked organisation or charity. Do any members have any suggestions of who this could be? No suggestions were given, however people were advised to email any ideas that come to them later.

6. **Election of committee** Existing members were re-elected. No new nominations were received. Thanks were given to the two members resigning.

Current FQRA Committee	Resigned 2015/6		
Jane Clarke – Plot 43	Dave Fox	Plot 116	
Judy Dawson – Plot 11	Jackie Jones	Plot 22	
Jo Dickson – Plot 25			
Krystyna Findley – Plot 46/23			
Dave Houlton – Plot 41			
Kay Mobley – Plot 89			
Amelia Platt – Plot 42/26			
Lynne Slipper – Plot 97			
Jo Wilton – Plot 69			
Peter Worrall – Plot 24			
Dee Yorke – Plot 24			

7. Any other Business None was indicated.