

RUTLAND FIRST CIC  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

15 OCTOBER 2020, 2 p.m.

PRESENT:

Board

Miles Williamson-Noble (chair)

Geoff Thompson

Carole East

Jennifer Fenelon

Gina Head

Judith Worthington

Christine Stanesby (from item 5)

Paul Kitson

Also in attendance

Oliver Savage (National Lottery, up to item 7)

Bernadette Caffrey (RCC)

Stephanie Logue (RCC)

Paula Vaughan (LLR CCG)

Bart Hellyer

Sarah Press

Apologies:

Jeannette Warner

Nicola Darby

Gill Curtis, RCC

Dawn Godfrey, RCC

The meeting took place via Zoom.

**1. The Chair opened the meeting**

The minutes of the previous AGM were taken as read. No matters were raised and unanimously approved. **Resolved:** Minutes of the last AGM were approved and the Chair was authorised to sign the minutes.

**2. Annual Report 2019-2020**

The Chair reported the highlights of the Annual Report, noting that the annual review from January 2020 would be appended to the report.

**3. Annual Accounts 2019 20**

Paul Kitson introduced the annual accounts drawing attention to:

- a. The accounting policies relating to Going Concern and treatment of grants from National Lottery and other donations
- b. The composition of the Balance Sheet

c. The statement of Comprehensive income, note 8 to the accounts.  
Judith Worthington reported that the accounts have been reviewed by the Audit and Risk Committee and that she endorsed approval of the accounts.

**Resolved:** The Annual Report and Accounts were unanimously approved and the Chair was authorised to sign the Balance Sheet and arrange the necessary regulatory filings.

#### 4. Retirement and Election of Board Members

The Chair reported:

- a. Jennifer Fenelon is required to retire according to the Company Articles
- b. Judith Worthington does not wish to continue as a director
- c. Nicola Darby has also indicated that she does not wish to continue as a Director but would offer legal support from time to time
- d. Christine Stanesby has completed a three-year term and was elected to continue in role for a further year
- e. Valerie Clark is proposed for election, initially as a co-opted member and join the Board next year.

**Resolved:** unanimously agreed to accept the resignations of Jennifer Fenelon, Judith Worthington and Nicola Darby and to appoint as a co-opted member, Valerie Clark.

The Chair expressed Board's gratitude to the immense contributions of Jennifer, Judy and Nicola.

Bart Hellyer offered to check with lawyer colleagues for willingness to join the Board to provide legal support and Paul Kitson has someone in mind for the Audit and Risk leadership.

#### 5. Future Plans

Geoff Thompson provided a summary of recent developments noting the difficulties caused by Covid19, the need to re-prioritise the offer, e.g. over two hundred teachers had attended Mental Health First Aid training during the lockdown in June and July. Schools have been sent a letter detailing what can be offered going forward and this has been well received.

Geoff went onto set out future plans in terms of:

- a. Developing culture and practice through a whole school approach focussed on training.
- b. Counselling for Secondary students increased to five sessions per week. Bereavement counselling is also available
- c. Staff training including Mental Health First Aid, support for Emotional Literacy Support Assistants, specific interventions, e.g. lego therapy
- d. Parent and family resilience – delivering a mix of online media, webinars
- e. Measuring success and establishing sustainability

Bart Hellyer asked if demand for counselling had increased due to Covid 19. Geoff said it had but it is manageable.

Oliver Savage offered praise for how the project is being managed in particular the work of Morag Tyler (project manager) and Lyn Harte (school liaison officer)

**6. National Lottery Q&A**

Oliver Savage explained the main criteria to determine whether expenditure would be acceptable for the National Lottery.

Oliver also gave encouragement to developing requests to extend the project with new objectives and activities.

**7. Rutland County Council Future Activities and Plans**

Bernadette Caffrey and Stephanie Logue provided an outline of services provided for and interactions with Young People in Rutland as well as praise for the interaction with the Resilient Rutland Project. A material increase in home schooling was noted.

**8. Mental Health in Schools teams**

Paula Vaughan provided an overview of mental health resources available in Rutland from Public Health England, noting a shift of resource from acute to preventative services.

**9. Any Other Business**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 4.05 p.m.