



Eastington Community Land Trust Ltd (ECLT)

135th Meeting of Board Members

7.00pm, Thursday 18th January 2024

MINUTES

1. Attending: Tom Morrison (TM), Tom Low (TL), Nicola Rowlings (NR) Martin Elliot (ME), Muriel Bullock (MB), Sarah Underdown (SU) Anthea McCann (AM)

Apologies from John Jones, Lynee Farnden, Tim Crane

2. Project 1 - Fullers Close

Apologies from Clare Mahdiyone (SVP) – unable to attend due to illness, will reschedule.

TL advised there is currently £1,600 (approximately) available for further works to the grassed areas. Dale Haines did not complete the agreed work, but was paid for the work he carried out. AL Groundworks has now taken on clearing the orchard & wildflower meadow areas, these have been strimmed, cleared, and weedkiller has been applied.

The SVP proposals were discussed by the board and specifically the proposed wildflower meadow style. It was agreed this might not be so feasible for the orchard side with the picnic benches and grass (either turf or seed) would be more appropriate.

TL is aware of a turf supplier and will get prices for turfing the area around the benches only (seeding the rest), plus a price for the whole orchard area. He also advised that the path leading to the gate at the back of the orchard has not been maintained properly and he has spoken to AL about reconstruction. TL estimates the cost of this to be around £500. SVP advise wildflower planting could cost around £450.

In the back corner of the orchard area there is a considerable drop in surface level to a manhole cover – TL to ask Aster why there is such a variance in levels.

3. Project 2

3.1 There has been a delay in the determination of the Planning Application due to SDC requiring payment of costs prior to issuing any decision. [\[Note: Payment made and Planning Permission issued on 24 January 2024\]](#)

3.2 Indemnity Insurance - Dependent on planning. Will then get landowners to finalise required statutory declaration.

3.3 Publicity - TM to write to landowners to confirm no personal details will be released or details relating to the commercial terms.

4. Financial and Administration Report

- 4.1 Externally Examined Accounts Approved
- 4.2 Payments Schedule Approved
- 4.3 Internal Audits Approved

5. Amendments to Rules - Pending

6. AGM Arrangements - To be held on 29th February 2024 at 7pm in Village Hall

7. Date of Next Meeting - 1st February 2024

Anthea McCann, Minutes Secretary

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