



Eastington Community Land Trust Ltd (ECLT)

154th Meeting of Board Members

7.00 pm, Thursday, 7th August 2025

MINUTES

1. **Attending:** Tom Morrison (TM Chair), Lynne Farnden (LF), Muriel Bullock (MB, Vice Chair), Tom Low (TL, Treasurer).

Apologies: Nicola Rowlings (NR, Secretary), Sarah Underdown (SU), Martin Elliott (ME), Tim Crane (TC).

Declarations of interest: MB and LF recorded a non-pecuniary interest in item 3.5

2. **Financial and Administration Reports**

- 2.1 **Approval of Invoices**

Chair and Treasurer agreed to pass the invoice for Uley Valley under the de minimus rule. The Current Account would stand at £800.77 after passing on-line payments and the Savings Account at £5911.88.

- 2.2 **Approval of Minutes**

Trustees agreed the minutes of Meeting 153, signed by TM.

- 2.3 **Update on Rules and Regulations and AR30 Annual Return**

NR confirmed that she had submitted the AR30 on schedule but the FCA had failed to upload the Accounts element correctly. NR to chase.

ACTION: NR

- 3 **Project Two**

- 3.1 **Progress on site**

TM had attended the monthly site meeting on 23rd July and noted that all parties were in positive mood on progress. An area of concern was the slow turnaround on Section Agreements, affecting Open Reach inter alia.

GP Thomas had met with the Playgroup and agreed a plan for work in their allotment.

Next meeting on 20th August to be attended by TL.

ACTION: TL

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3.2 BBC Panorama Housing Crisis Special

TL reported that filming would take place on Monday 11th August with broadcast expected in October. 2RH and two tenants of Fullers Close are also involved. No publicity can be undertaken until that date is available and e-mail circulation of members would be allowed then.

ACTION: TL

3.3 Drop-Ins for public in September

Jasmine Elliott is not available in our timeframe but is preparing a special “explainer” on ECLT’s form of Shared Ownership. It was agreed to postpone the Drop-in until a qualified officer from 2RH could attend

ACTION: TL with 2RH

3.4 Grounds maintenance at Homeground

TM conveyed a request from 2RH that ECLT organise and take responsibility for, all grounds maintenance and re-charge 2RH accordingly. After debate, Trustees decided to decline.

ACTION: TM

(late note: Andrew Cozens has agreed to crop the Eastern Portion and remove, at no cost)

3.5 Legal work on Easement for access to Snakey Lane

MB and LF excused themselves, being Parish Cllrs. TM reported that there was insufficient information for a draft to be sent to the Clerk, probably until October. 2RH’s solicitors would be responsible.

4. Project One

4.1 Grounds Maintenance

It was noted that Uley Valley Contractors had done a good job of clearing the spring growth and the area look tidy for the BBC film crew.

4.2 Land for Severn Trent

TM reported that he and TL had signed documents on behalf of ECLT and awaited other parties to complete same.

4.3 Side letter for Orchard etc

Sam Hale of Aster has a first draft which she is reviewing.

5. Project Three

It was agreed that it was worthwhile to pursue discussions with a developer who was proposing to build on an Exception Site.

ACTION: TL & TM

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6. Any Other Business

SDC Cllr Brown has declined to join ECLT in favour of Cllr Shannon. TL to brief and agree appropriate start date.

ACTION: TL

7. Date of next meeting:

Agreed as Thursday 21st August 7.00pm and Wednesday September 3rd at 7.15, both in the Village Hall. TM presented apologies for 21st August.

Tom Low, Treasurer

August 2025

Signed by TM, Chair Date.....