



## Eastington Community Land Trust Ltd (ECLT)

### 170<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Board Members

### 7.00 pm, Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026

## MINUTES

1. **Attending:** Tom Morrison (TM, Chair), Lynne Farnden (LF), Tom Low (TL), Sarah Underdown (SU, Treasurer), Martin Elliott (ME), Muriel Bullock (MB, Vice-Chair).

**Apologies:** Nicola Rowlings (NR, Secretary), Cllr Moya Shannon (MS, SDC Liaison), Tim Crane (TC), Chris Bennie (CB).

2. **Financial and Administration**

- 2.1 **Approval of Minutes**

Trustees agreed the minutes of Meeting 169, signed by TM, chair of that meeting

- 2.2 **Change in Minutes Secretary**

TL is to retire and hand over to NR with effect from the next meeting. TL will remain as a Trustee.

- 2.3 **Bank Balances**

SU reported that the Current account held £271 and the Savings Account £4,066. Having paid the tax bill, there were no significant payments expected to be made this financial year.

3. **Project Two**

- 3.1 **Update on Section Agreements**

TM reported that the Section 38 had been signed by all but GCC Highways. There was no sign of the Section 104 from Severn Trent but TM noted that in Fullers Close, that had taken 4 years to conclude.

- 3.2 **Deed of Easement**

ECLT Solicitor had no comments. Parish Council had agreed the draft subject to minor amends.

- 3.3 **Update on Shared Ownership sales**

TL reported that 5 units had gone to Eastington connections and 2 to Whitminster. The cascade was now open to all of Stroud District.

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### 3.4 Update on allocation of Social Rented homes

All homes had been allocated and most tenants had already moved in. LF reported that so far there were no complaints of people with no Eastington connections being allocated.

ME and MB reported complaints of errors by SDC but TL was aware that these were bidders with a short or zero time as Homeseeker registrants and thus had had no chance of being successful over people who had been on the list for multiple years.

It was known that, because of moving from 2-bed to 3-bed, at least 4 tenants of Fullers Close had moved. This created 2-bed vacancies in Fullers Close which LF reported had been advertised on Homeseeker already. Noted that the Aster adverts were correctly worded for Local Connection.

## 4. Housing Strategy and NDP Review

### 4.1 NDP Review

TL to brief Cllr Spencer (*on 3<sup>rd</sup> August*) about engaging with GCC Highways to identify all drains and ditches along with ownership, with a view to reducing the risk of flooding in the south of the village.

### 4.2 SDC Local Plan Review 2026

MS had attended a workshop at SDC offices on the results of the Call for Sites. In absentia, MS promised to provide a brief report on that meeting to Board by e-mail.

**ACTION: MS**

## 5. Fullers Close

### 5.1 Orchard Path

TL reported that Abbey Surfacing would tarmac the path on 6<sup>th</sup> August. SU had invoiced Aster for the agreed sum (*note: funds received 27<sup>th</sup> July*).

### 5.2 Safety Incident with Acoustic Fence

TL explained that a portion of fence had come loose and was in danger of falling into the Public Footpath. AM and another resident had reported this to Aster and TL followed up with Sam Hale. (Note: fence subsequently fell on 26<sup>th</sup> July and TM escalated the need for speedy repair on 28<sup>th</sup> July)

**ACTION: TM, TL to monitor**

## 6. Date of next meeting:

Agreed to be 24<sup>th</sup> September 2026 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall, with 27<sup>th</sup> August in reserve if required.

**Tom Low, Trustee**

**July 2026**

**Signed by TM, Chair ..... Date.....**

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