

**Forest Town Nature Conservation Group (FTNCG)  
Special General Meeting, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014  
at the Forest Town Welfare, Sherwood Room**



**Present:** Rose Powell; Ross Lacey; Shlomo Downen; Lorraine Downen; Josh Downen; Ian O'Brien; Richard Smith; Alan Alberry; Pauline Marples; Malcolm Marples; Kevin Gilbert; Helen Johnson; Lee Johnson; Ron Johnson; Margaret Hollingworth; Colin House; and Megan Tansley [17]

**Apologies accompanied by messages of support for the proposals to adopt the Charity Commission Model Constitution and to endorse the Nominated Trustees were received from the following FTNCG Members:** Barry Housley; Betty Alberry; Val Moss; Geoff Moss; Dorothy O'Brien; Christine Cawthorne; Mark Fretwell; Karl Price; Jim Gregson; Phyllis Gregson; Ron Tansley; Celia Tassell; Elizabeth Anne Smith; David Smith; Sharon Williams; John Williams; and James Healey [17]

#### Welcome and Introduction

- Shlomo explained that a Charity Commission representative wrote to FTNCG saying: "I have now considered all the information you have provided and am pleased to confirm that I am satisfied that the work which the organisation will be undertaking is capable of furthering exclusively charitable purposes for public benefit. I am therefore happy to invite "Forest Town Nature Conservation Group" to register. However, before I can process the registration, the issue of the charity's constitution will need to be addressed..."
- To address the issues raised by the Charity Commission FTNCG needs to adopt a Constitution based on the Charity Commission Model Constitution. This requirement gave rise to this evening's Special General Meeting.
- The Charity Commission asked for a copy of our Constitution and a copy of the minutes of the meeting held to seek the consent of members to the adoption of the new constitution.

The proposal to adopt the Constitution for the Forest Town Nature Conservation Group (FTNCG), based on the Charity Commission Model Constitution, including the following object: "To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment in and around Forest Town" was unanimously endorsed by all those present.

The proposal to endorse the following Nominated Trustees to be FTNCG Trustees, and to empower them to sign the newly-adopted FTNCG Constitution, was unanimously endorsed by all those present: Shlomo Downen, Chair; Lorraine Downen, Secretary; Josh Downen, Treasurer; and Trustees: Ian O'Brien, Richard Smith, Alan Alberry, Barry Housley, Rosemary Powell, and Ross Lacey.

These votes were immediately followed by the signing of the newly-adopted FTNCG Constitution.

**Action:** Shlomo to send a copy of our Constitution and a copy of the minutes of the meeting held to seek the consent of members to the adoption of the new constitution to the Charity Commission.