

The Existing committee all wish to stand for re-election, and we have two additional nominations, Peter Biddlestone and Mike Springham. There were no additional nominations from members present. Mike Springham advised the members present that he has worked in Finance all of his working life and if elected hoped to the benefit of his experience and also as a new resident in the village possibly a different prospective. Peter Biddlestone expressed a desire to join the Management earlier in the year.

The proposal to re-elect the existing Management Committee and the two new nominees were elected. Proposed: Lily Hope-Frost, Seconded: Anna Prosser

8) Adoption of the Revised Rules and Policies:

a. Avon Dassett Community Benefit Society Limited Rules

Trevor explained that earlier in the year we had the benefit of a Plunkett Advisor's experience on a number of matters, and he recommended that we adopt the latest version of the model rules. These model rules are agreed by the Plunkett Foundation and the FCA and are very closely aligned with the legislation that brought into being Community Benefit Societies.

The new rules were formally adopted: Proposed: Darrell Muffitt, Seconded: Mick Springham

Under the rules we need to ask members to formally agree that we can self-audit, thus saving us the expense of having this function performed by our accountants. Proposed: Mike Blakeman, Seconded Richard Woolley

b. Avon Dassett Community Benefit Society Limited Management Committee Code of Conduct

Under the rules we are required to have a Management Committee of Conduct. A draft has been made available to members via the Society's website. This was adopted. Proposed: Darrell Muffitt, Seconded. Mick Springham

c. Avon Dassett Community Benefit Society Limited Internal Regulations

Trevor explained that the model rules that have been adopted provide an infrastructure but there is a need to have a detailed set of internal regulations complement the rules and to ensure that there are proper adopted regulations where necessary. These cover such items as the conduct of our bank account, how we agree contracts. Again, these have been made available on the Society's website. These were adopted: Proposed: Mike Blakeman, Seconded: Darrell Muffitt

9) Any Other Business

A member asked if we have any influence about the choices available on the menu. The member was advised that Jack is approachable and open to suggestions and our tenant liaison officer is always available with any suggestions.

A member proposed a sincere vote of thanks for the Management Committee. The transformation that was achieved last summer before the Yew Tree was reopened was amazing and down to a lot of hard work and organisation.

Darrell thanked members for their attendance.

Members were invited to Trevor have a drink at the bar and the Society would pay for this and the Management Committee has also organised a finger buffet for members.