#### **EXETER ST JAMES COMMUNITY TRUST LTD**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD AT 15 POWDERHAM CRESCENT EXETER ON FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER AT 10.00AM

Present: Di Boston (DB), Aylwyn Bowen (AB), Robyn Connett (RC), Paul Layton (PL)

Jo Hawkins (JH), Acting Chair of Exeter St James Forum, for items 3(a) and 6

### 1 **Apologies:** none.

Items 3(a), Indemnity Insurance, and 6, QCG, brought forward for discussion with JH.

#### 2 Indemnity Insurance / Queen's Crescent Garden

It was agreed that QCG funds would be transferred by ESJ Forum to the Trust bank account once active.

The following options would be explored in respect of insurance:

- DB and RC to ascertain from Neil Murrin the feasibility of a change of name from Forum to Trust on current policy and implications of its cancellation in favour of two new separate policies;
- RC to approach Cllr. Jill Owen to enquire about the possibility of additional DCC funds to assist with Trust insurance and other start-up costs;
- A loan request to ESJ Forum to cover Trust insurance premium.

# 3 Minutes of the Board meeting held 13 October 2014

- (a) Approved
- (b) Matters arising:
  - (i) noted no response from Urban CLT Network;
  - (ii) DB authorised to purchase a society seal at reasonable cost.

#### 4 Governance Issues

- (a) Bank account: PL had received verbal confirmation of Co-operative Bank's approval of the application; awaiting account details.
- (b) Presentation on governance: agreed to accept AW's offer am on Thursday 13 November 2014.

#### 5 Membership Offer and Recruitment

Directors unanimously approved the opening membership offer document. This would be delivered with associated publicity leaflet and joint Forum/Trust newsletter to all addresses in St James between 19 and 26 November 2014.

### 6 Relationship with Exeter St James Forum

JH's paper for consideration by ESJ Forum was noted. DB agreed to co-ordinate a Trust response.

#### 7 Queen's Crescent Garden

Adopted as a standing agenda item.

## **Special General Meeting**

Date and venue agreed, Friday 16 January 2014 at St Sidwell's Primary school. RC to book from 7.00 to 8.00pm.

## 9 Date of next meeting

A provisional date agreed, Thursday 13 November, following AW's presentation.

10 **AOB**: DB and RC meeting with Keith Biggs, solicitor, at 3.00pm.

The meeting closed at 11.50am.