

Community Action Northumberland
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
held on Monday 4th November 2019
at Blanchland Village Hall

Present: Lord Curry of Kirkharle, President in the Chair
Adrian Hinchcliffe, Chairman of the Board, members and friends of
Community Action Northumberland with Mr Andy Dean-Chief Executive
Officer, and 6 members of staff

1. President's Opening Remarks

The President opened the meeting by welcoming all present to the 2019 Annual General Meeting. 10 apologies for absence from members and friends of Community Action Northumberland had been received and noted.

2. Presentation of the 2018-19 Annual Report

The Chairman, Adrian Hinchcliffe, presented the annual report.

3. Presentation of the 2018-19 Accounts

Miles Middleton (Chairman of CAN F & GP committee) presented the accounts using slides whilst explaining the recording of income and expenditure and changes CAN present in the SOFA. The accounts were agreed, (copies available from CAN).

4. Appointment of Honorary Officers

The following honorary officers were nominated to act for another year and were duly elected:

- (i) **Patron:** His Grace the Duke of Northumberland
- (ii) **President:** Andy Dean formally proposed Lord Curry of Kirkharle
- (iii) **Vice Presidents:** Alan Beith, The Venerable Bob Langley, Sally Black, Rev Canon Bob Burston, Alec Trotter, David Francis and Sheila Walker
- (iv) **Treasurer:** Miles Middleton
- (v) **Auditor:** Robson Laidler

5. Election of the Board

Craig Weir stood down as a trustee.

Under CAN's 3-year cycle of Board tenure, the following board members continue until a future AGM Liz Elliott, George Hepburn, Anthony Hood, Jean Humphrys, Miles Middleton, Anthony Murray, Valerie Vaughan, and the Venerable Peter Robinson.

Adrian Hinchcliffe is at the end of a three-year cycle and was nominated for a further 3 years.

Jan Ashdown and Sian Armstrong were nominated to the board for 3 years following their co-option onto the board in January 2019 and September 2019 respectively.

Lesley Tudor-Snodin was also nominated to join the board as a new trustee for 3 years.

All board nominations were approved.

6. Presentation by Andy Dean – CEO – CAN present & Future

Andy gave a short presentation of CAN`s activities over the last year, highlighting the changing diversity of our projects and the progress our wholly owned company Communities CAN has made within the county.

7. Address by President

Lord Curry of Kirkharle spoke of the North / South divide, how this impacts on rural communities in Northumberland and how as individuals and as an ACRE Network member, CAN could address some of the issues identified. Questions followed.

8. Minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting and any matters arising

Following a delay, the minutes were read and accepted as a true record.

9. Thanks and close

Adrian Hinchcliffe closed the meeting highlighting CAN`s objectives and how these aims can be met through tackling the issues raised by the presentation of the president.

Adrian thanked

- Lord Curry for and discussion
- Miles Middleton and Andy Dean for their presentations
- Blanchland Village Hall
- All CAN`s supporters, members, staff and trustees, and those that attended this AGM for their ongoing support.