

Torquay Allotment Holders

Co-operative Association Ltd

Minutes of EGM For the purpose of Adopting a set of model rules.

Date 28th January 2023 Opened at 11:45 am

Chaired by **Hazel Roberts**

An EGM to adopt a copy of model rules to replace the 1918 rules was requested by members of South Parks & Quinta allotments.

This was done and the EGM was held on the 28th of January 2023 with 66 attending.

Between calling and holding the EGM the Committee were asked to take part in a Zoom meeting between the representatives of Beechfield (BF) & Stantaway (ST) arranged by The NAS Chaired by Liz Bunting. During the meeting BF & ST expressed a wish to be devolved this was agreed to in principle but Liz said that we would need to have a vote of the members.

It was decided by the committee to ask for permission of the members to add an item to the EGM agenda.

This was to have a vote to accept the motion to devolve BF & ST all members present agreed to allow the inclusion of the item on the agenda as item 1.

The proposal was to allow BF & ST to be allowed to run their sites as a devolved group and all members of BF & ST Will cease to be members of TAHCAL with immediate effect. And they will form a group in their own right with their own rules, waiting list and committee.

The vote was taken and **passed unanimously**.

BF & ST members then left the EGM and the meeting moved on to the model rules.

Before proceedings Started Allan Cavill SW regional mentor and representative of the NAS gave a presentation about the importance of having a set of updated rules and how they form part of the legal documents that associations must follow.

Hazel Roberts acting chair walked everyone through the model rules pointing out and explaining each change and its reason with discussion about each amendment and a vote on each amendment taken and passed unanimously.

The changes were lowering from 2y to **1y** the time limit before being able to stand for office, a maximum committee of **9** instead of 13 now BF & ST are not members and it was agreed that a lower number of committee members where needed.

Following the full debate on each rule a vote was held with the motion to adopt the new rules. And the motion was **passed unanimously**.

Still to be done

Check with Liz at the NAS about mutuals-statutory-declaration-form
then if needed find a solicitor to sign it then submit all the documents to the FCA.
FCA Form can be submitted electronically online.

Everyone was thanked for attending.

EGM closed at 12:30 pm