

Action 21 Annual General Meeting 12th July 2018

Agenda item	
1.	<p>Welcome</p> <p>John Armstrong (Chair of Trustees) welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>
2.	<p>Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 13 July 2017 were approved. ii. There were no matters arising.
3.	<p>Chairman's Report</p> <p>John reflected on the origins of Action 21. In 1992, the Agenda 21 document was launched at the UN Conference on Environment and Development (Earth Summit), held in Rio de Janeiro on 13 June. It stressed the importance of local agencies and individuals in developing solutions to environmental change and sustainability.</p> <p>As part of a local response, Action 21 was established as a social enterprise in 1996 and sought to promote the protection and preservation of the environment for the public benefit by the promotion of waste reduction, re-use, reclamation, recycling, the use of recycled products and the use of surplus for the benefit of the inhabitants of the District of Warwick.</p> <p>He thanked retiring trustees Geoff Randall and Mathilde Robert, and welcomed new trustees Annie Bryan, Mike Cronin and Belinda Pyke.</p> <p>He also offered his thanks to the staff and volunteers who had, and continued to, support Action 21.</p>
4.	<p>Operational report</p> <p>Martin Smith gave an overview of the operational activities for the financial year 2017-18:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 150 tonnes of goods kept out of landfill – the weight of more than 20 double-decker buses; • Around 500 bicycles were refurbished and sold, generating an income of around £25,000 • Online sales generated an income of around £4,500 • More than £10,000 worth of electrical items sold • More than £500 from metal separation with over 3 tonnes of metal saved from landfill • Nearly £1,500 income from textile and book recycling with approximately 10 tonnes saved from landfill. <p>He offered his thanks to all the volunteers who, in a variety of roles, had made this possible and the staff for their hard work.</p> <p>He also highlighted the support given by Action 21 to other charities including LWS Night Shelter and Vision Aid Overseas.</p> <p>It was also noted that the transfer of the Dobson Lane allotments to a stand-alone charity is ongoing.</p>
5.	<p>Financial Report for year ending 31 March 2018</p> <p>Prior to presenting the report, Mike Cronin (Treasurer) offered his thanks to his predecessor Geoff Randall for his stewardship of Action 21's finances.</p> <p>He then summarised the financial position for the year 2017/18, before drawing comparisons with the preceding year.</p> <p>Income from the Re-Useful Centre had reduced by £3k on the previous year. Although this had be offset by an increase in grant income associated with charitable events. Overall costs increased by £17k. This was due (in part) to increased staff costs associated with the furniture restoration activity and the additional rent, rates and insurance associated with use of a second Arch.</p> <p>General reserves stand at £116k, an increase of £11k on the previous year. Mike stated that the Trustees would be actively seeking new activities to utilise some of the reserves to support Action 21's wider aims and objectives.</p> <p>Following an opportunity for questions from the audience the Financial Report for the year ending 31 March 2018 was adopted.</p>

6.	Appointment of Independent Examiner The appointment of an Independent Examiner was approved.
7.	Election of Trustees John Armstrong, Margaret Begg and Chris Pollock stood down by rotation and were re-elected. Anne Bryan, Mike Cronin and Belinda Pyke were formally elected. Geoff Randall and Mathilde Robert resigned.
8.	Any Other Business None. The Chair thanked all those present for their attendance and looking forward to seeing them next year.
9.	Date of next meeting To be confirmed.

The meeting ended at 8.00 p.m.

Attendees A21 AGM 12th July 2018	
Trustees	Staff
John Armstrong	Martin Smith
Mike Cronin	Ashley Hopkins
Margaret Begg	Jane Gregg
Roger Twinney	Daryl Davies
Chris Pollock	Michael Wilson
Peter Blackledge	
Annie Bryan	Volunteers
	Steve Barber
Councillors	Gill Lampe
	Mary Carmenta
Others	Jane Scheuer
Geoff Randall	Alessia Sissa
Anne Wood	Roger Cleal
Jenny Armstrong	John Webber
Janet Pollock	Susanne Dobson
Apologies	
Mayor of Warwick	Cllr Ian Davidson
Deputy Mayor of Warwick	Cllr Stephen Cross
Belinda Pyke	Cllr Kristie Niaino
Matt Western MP	Cllr George Illingworth
Cllr Barbara Weed	Mick Partridge
Susan Bourne	Phyl Moire
Jane Gibb	Louise Astill
Judy Steel	