



Vale Vision Development Trust Ltd

Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 20 May 2010 at the Vale Vision shop

Present: Chris Cherry (CC), Linda Cherry (LC), Mike Doughty (MD), Liz Stanley (LS), Janet Wood, Miranda Clifton (MC), Valerie Mores (observer)

1. **Apologies:** Bob Littleford (BL), Geoff Wheeler (GW)
2. **Minutes and matters arising from the meeting held on 15 April:** agreed to be a true record. (numbering refers to minutes of the April meeting):
 - (i) 3 vii) Contact with Sainsbury's – CC had met with a representative of Sainsbury's and had a discussion about VV.
 - (ii) 4 i) Charity law workshop – CC had attended. GRCC providing support to charities; the advantages of being an incorporated body rather than run by trustees had been clarified. CC emphasised that directors are safeguarded from financial liability.
 - (iii) The Guides event at the Sculpture Trail had been changed to the evening of 11 June.
3. **Matters arising from the AGM:** the minutes of the meeting were not yet available. A new member of DTC had requested that she be able to attend board meetings; however directors only may attend and take part; she could be invited to become a director. It was agreed that there could be an agenda item at the beginning of each meeting to allow questions from anyone interested.
4. **Election of officers:** CC proposed an additional office – Deputy Company Secretary. Agreed unanimously. The following officers were elected unanimously:
 - Chair: CC - prop MD; seconded LS
 - Vice Chair: GW - prop CC; seconded MD
 - Company Secretary: GW - prop MC; seconded LC
 - Deputy Company Secretary: MD - prop MC; seconded LC
5. **Correspondence:**
 - (i) Edge Media – request to ensure packages delivered to VV are for VV and not Edge Media
 - (ii) Anthea Knight, GCC – training on Volunteer management. Not applicable to VV.
 - (iii) Yell – offering free listing in directory. Agreed this be taken up.
 - (iv) Cotswold Connect – Networking Cotswold website; CC to look into and report back.
6. **Financial Report:** MD tabled the report. There are currently 16 months to run.
 - There were still some charges and VAT recovery to be recorded
 - The amount of closure commitments could be reduced as commitments are less; to be recorded as 'future fixed commitments'.
 - Nothing had been heard from SDC re: SLA.
 - DTC to be approached re funding one edition of What's On.
7. **Projects progress:**
 - (i) Cycleway: BL had sent a written report. He has made a contribution to the GCC cycling strategy and LTP3.
 - (ii) The Built Environment: BL & MD to discuss possibilities for this. Had investigated projects at Nailsworth and Tetbury, but these had not provided useful ideas.
 - (iii) Walking for Health:
 - New leaders needed; two possible volunteers.
 - Walk numbers are currently low.
 - The next programme would cover 2 months to bring into line with 'What's On publication'.

(iv) Sculpture Trail:

- Open Day 27 June, afternoon. Volunteers needed for preparations in the morning.
- Girl Guides' event 13 June. New sculptures underway from Cam Woodfield and Cam Hopton Schools, discussions taking place with Cam Co-op Nursery.
- DTC sponsored boards had been ordered.

8. Dursley Town Festival: Discussion as to VV stall.

- Nets for townscape houses to be copied onto card. **(CC)**.
- Townscape base/roadway to be made. (BL).
- Colouring pencils and Pritt sticks needed. (MC).
- Display boards and material needed.
- Stall to be booked. (MC).
- CC/LS not available on the day.

9. Charity Law workshop: covered in matters arising.

10. Tourism Forum: LC reported on the recent meeting. There had been concern that the Cotswold Visitor Guide 2011 would not have separate pieces about the villages.

11. A O B:

- (i) MD: Request to take Shop Local bags to the Farmers Market. VV would be promoted with accompanying cards. Agreed.
- (ii) JW: enquired as to shop opening hours. MC: Query as to whether WO and Walks leaflet publication could be synchronised for ease of distribution. Agreed this would be possible as from September issues.
- (iii) CC: potential TIC in co-operation with SDC, funded by Glos. First. Interviews for prospective employees to be held 7/8 June. LS agreed to be on interview panel. VV to contribute to job spec. Action CC/GW.
- (iv) MC: apologies for next board meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Date of next meeting:

Thursday 24 June at 7pm in the VV shop.

(Meetings on 3rd Thursday of each month)