

**Minutes of the sixty-second meeting of the Board of Trustees of  
the Open Spaces Society held at 15.15 on Thursday 8 July 2021  
by videoconference**

**PRESENT** Phil Wadey (chairman)  
Stuart Bain  
Graham Bathe  
Chris Beney  
John Hall  
Simon Hunt  
Steve Warr

**IN ATTENDANCE** Kate Ashbrook (general secretary), Sarah Hacking (office manager)

**APOLOGIES** Tara-Jane Sutcliffe

**WELCOME TO 'NEW TRUSTEES'**

138/21 The chairman welcomed the trustees who had been elected or re-elected at the annual general meeting which had immediately preceded this meeting: Stuart Bain, Chris Beney, John Hall and Simon Hunt.

**MINUTES OF MEETING ON 10 JUNE 2021**

139/21 The minutes of the meetings on 10 June were approved, and it was agreed to publish them the website.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE AGM**

140/21 Trustees considered that the AGM had been a success.

141/21 **Special resolution:** It was regretted that through an oversight we had failed to include on the voting sheet the special resolution to amend the articles. Therefore, we would need to call a general meeting at not less than 21 days' notice, combining the mailing with the next issue of *Open Space*. It was suggested that we might combine the meeting with a talk, to encourage attendance.

- 142/21 Chris Beney said that the updated version of zoom had a facility for including subtitles. It was agreed that the office would investigate this.
- 143/21 Simon Pearson had raised at the AGM the issue of joint members not being automatically given two votes. Sarah Hacking explained that our system did not allow for this because joint members had only one membership number. It was agreed to investigate a way around this.


### **STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW**

- 144/21 It was agreed that we should aim to hold a face-to-face meeting for the strategic plan review, probably in November, on a Tuesday at King's Barn in Henley. The office would explore dates.

### **DATE AND TIMES OF MEETINGS**

- 145/21 There was a discussion about the most convenient days and times for our online trustee meetings. The following was agreed. The August and September meetings would remain as previously arranged (Thursday 12 August and Wednesday 8 September). At the September meeting we would agree the dates for the remainder of the year. At the December meeting we would review whether we wished to return to face-to-face meetings and at what frequency.

The meeting ended at 15.45.



Phil Wadey  
Chair of Trustees