



Protos Community Forum

AGM Minutes: 19 June 2019

7:00 pm Elton Community Centre

Present:

Voting Members:

Cllr. Sarah Temple, Helsby Parish Council
Cllr. Andrew Eardley, Ince Parish Council
Cllr. Tim Lloyd, Ince Parish Council
Cllr. Roy Greenwood, Little Stanney & District Parish Council
Cllr. Clare Wright, Thornton-le-Moors Parish Council
Cllr. Pauline O'Reilly, Elton Parish Council

Advisers:

Jane Gaston , Peel Environmental
Lois Kay, Peel Environmental
Keith Butterick, Secretary

In attendance:

Steve Serna, Chair, Elton Parish Council
Andrew Gorst, Elton resident
Sarah Gorst, Elton resident
Andy Canham, Elton PC
Margaret Lockhart, Elton PC

AGM of the Protos Community Forum 2018-19

1. Apologies

Cllr. Martin Dickinson, Elton Parish Council
Cllr. Diane Roberts, Netherspool ward, Cheshire West & Chester Council
Alex Sutherland, Environment Agency
Cllr. Matt Bryan, Upton ward, Cheshire West & Chester Council
Cllr. Paul Donovan, Sutton ward, Cheshire West & Chester Council

Absences

Cllr. Judith Critchley, Frodsham Town Council
Cllr. Andrew Dawson, Frodsham ward, Cheshire West & Chester Council
Cllr. Lisa Danson, Westminster ward, Cheshire West & Chester Council
Cllr. Graham Heatley, Gowry Rural ward, Cheshire West & Chester Council
Justin Madders MP, Ellesmere Port & Neston

2. The minutes of the 2017-18 AGM were accepted as a true record of the meeting
3. Chairman's Report 2018-19. Cllr. Temple delivered the Chairman's report. Report attached.
4. Election of Chairman: Cllr. Sarah Temple was nominated by **Cllr. Andrew Eardley** and seconded by **Cllr. Roy Greenwood**.

Cllr. Temple was elected as chairman for the year 2019 to 2020

5. Questions from members of the public.

Mr. Canham: *How does Protos fit with the government's carbon neutral targets by 2050.*

JG: Outlined a number of initiatives that Protos specifically and Peel generally are involved in to support the targets set out by government. Aside from the specific project being taken forward at Protos Peel is working with the Cheshire Energy Hub as part of a wider initiative to reduce carbon usage. In addition, as a member of the North West Hydrogen Alliance led by Cadent we are progressing a study into carbon capture storage initiative. Both also form part of the recently launched North West Hydrogen and Energy Cluster which has been specifically developed to support the government's call for a net zero carbon industrial cluster to be achieved by 2040.

Mr. Canham: *Access to Protos site – Elton residents concerned that vehicle using the village – vehicles to Quinn Glass for example going through the village.*

JG: Protos has been set its own vehicle limits through the planning consent. These do not include for any vehicle movements from the Encirc facility along Grinsome Road. Vehicle movements are part of a continuing discussion that Peel has with commercial neighbours such as CF Fertilisers, Encirc, Essar, The University of Chester, CWAC Council and the impacted communities. **JG** recognised this was an important issue for the residents and is hoping the discussion will lead to CWAC developing a strategy for all businesses using roads in the area.

Member of public: *Requested contact details to raise urgent problems and immediate issues*

JG: Details are on the Protos website, which will be reviewed and if necessary updated

6. Any other business.

ST noted to the Community Forum: The recent local elections in May were contested under new ward boundaries. Several Councillors nominated by CWaC to serve on the Forum represented wards that had no geographical link to the Protos site. Cllr Temple proposed: That the number of councillors from Cheshire West and Chester be reduced from five to three representing the wards neighbouring the Protos site - Gowy Rural, Helsby and Frodsham.

Seconded: Cllr Greenwood.

Motion approved unanimously.