

# TRANSITIONSTROUD

INSPIRING ACTION FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE



31st October 2024 Transition Stroud 2024 AGM minutes

**Chair:** Caroline Pankhurst / **Secretary:** Jess Farr

**Transition Stroud Guarantor Members Present (7):**

Paul Sheridan, Clare Sheridan, John Meadley, Adrian Oldman, Fred Barker, Dmytro Bojaniwskyj, Martin Whiteside (remote)

**Others present:**

Caroline Pankhurst, Shalize Nicholas, Chris Carnegie, Richard Lupo, Gill Thomas, Jess Farr

**Member Apologies (2):**

Josie Cowgill (proxy vote submitted), Bryn Brown (proxy vote submitted)

**Other Apologies:**

Isabel Clark, Nigel Westaway

Decisions taken by members are by all in the room. We are satisfied that there are enough members present, or submitting proxy votes (totalling 9 together), to represent a quorum of members (over 50%). Current membership is at 14 following Erik stepping down.

## Agenda

- **Thanks to Martin and Nigel for their contributions to Transition Stroud**  
Both have decided to step down as Directors but continue as Guarantor Members. Everyone is extremely grateful for the support they've offered to TS over the years. Thanks so much!
- **Approving the minutes of the 2023 AGM**  
John Meadley proposed, Paul Sheridan seconded, and 9 voted to approve.
- **Receiving and approving the Directors Report for the year to August 2024**  
Fred Barker proposed, Adrian Oldman seconded, and 9 voted to approve.
- **Receiving and approving the Financial Statements included in the Directors Report (pgs 23-30) for the year to August 2024**  
Comments / Questions: Special thanks to Chris Carnegie for helping put TS into good

financial shape.

Dmytro Bojaniwskyj proposed, John Meadley seconded, and 9 voted to approve.

- **Receiving and approving the Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Transition Stroud**  
Members were grateful to receive this but not vote needed to approve.
- **Receiving and approving the separate Repair Cafe report to August 2024**  
Members were grateful to receive this but not vote needed to approve.

### Director Decisions

- **Transition Stroud volunteer Shalize Nicholas has been proposed for a three year term as a Director.**  
Dmytro Bojaniwskyj proposed, Clare Sheridan seconded, and 9 voted to approve.
- **Transition Stroud volunteer Richard Lupo has been proposed for a three year term as a Director.**  
Fred Barker proposed, John Meadley seconded, and 9 voted to approve.
- **Current Director Dmytro Bojaniwskyj has reached the end of his latest three-year term and would like to continue in the role of Director for a further three year term.**  
Clare Sheridan proposed, Fred Barker seconded, 8 voted to approve.

### Other Director notices

- **New Transition Stroud Director Gill Thomas was proposed and voted in by the current Directors during 2023. Ratification needed by members.**  
Fred Barker proposed, Dmytro Bojaniwskyj seconded, 7 voted to approve.
- **New Transition Stroud Director Isabel Clark was proposed and voted in by the current Directors during 2023. Ratification needed by members.**  
Paul Sheridan proposed, Dmytro Bojaniwskyj seconded, 7 voted to approve.

### AOBs

- Discussed the issue of potentially shrinking Guarantor Membership numbers and knock-on implications for having unbalanced numbers of Directors to Members going forwards. Suggested that we look to build up our Member numbers this year.
- Members suggested that Directors should explore the appointment of an Executive Director to help with strategic planning going forward.
- Members suggested that TS could follow through more effectively on the monitoring aspirations outlined in the 2023 Annual Report, and we discussed that this would probably naturally be followed up on given current funder reporting obligations.
- Directors and Members agreed for all Directors to have a profile on the TS website.

- All agreed to explore archiving options for TS's past project records through GCC's Green Pledge Project and tracking down old archive material at the Trinity Rooms.

**ACTION:** appointment of an executive Director and Membership replenishment to be discussed at the next TS Council meeting

**ACTION:** Jess to update the website with new Director profiles

**ACTION:** Jess to update Companies House with latest Director information

**ACTION:** Chris to update Companies House with Financial Statement

**ACTION:** Jess to see if Trinity Rooms still have donated archival material and contact The Green Pledge project for further information.