Kingston Environment Centre

Annual General Meeting

Held online via **Zoom** on

Thursday 11th February at 7.00 pm.

Attendees Sam Hermitage, Pat Dobson, Brian Mulley, Greg Hayman, Maggie Pound, Pat Dobson, Julie Blythe, Iren Puj,

Chaired by Sam Hermitage, Chair of KEC Board

AGENDA

- 1.) Chair's introduction.
- 2.) The year ending March 2020 had been marked by an independence from grant funding. The period was notable for Increased activities which had enabled the KEC to maintain its profile.

Beginning mid March 2020 centre usage had been severely curtailed by the Pandemic. Attendance by the community groups halted and in general the only activity had been the new after school club Little Star when it started in September 2020. However in the summer months Little Star had invested time and capital into some much needed renovations to the building.

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following ordinary resolutions:

2.) To accept the Directors' Report and Annual Accounts 2019-20

This meeting hereby resolves to accept the report of the directors and annual accounts for the period ending 31st March 2020.

Proposed: Board of Directors

Passed Unanimously

3.) To appoint Maggie Pound as a Director

This meeting hereby resolves to appoint Maggie Pound as a director of Kingston Environment Centre.

Proposed: Board of Directors

Passed Unanimously

4.) To re-appoint Sam Hermitage as a Director

This meeting hereby resolves to re-appoint Sam Hermitage as a director of Kingston Environment Centre.

Proposed: Board of Directors

Passed Unanimously

5.) To accept the resignation Jean Vidler

This meeting hereby resolves to accept the resignation of Jean Vidler as Company Secretary effective 31 March 2021.

Passed Unanimously

6.) Project reports

The Meeting accepted reports from the Hogsmill Community Garden by Juli Blythe, from Pat Dobson regarding gardening volunteering, and from Sam Hermitage regarding the Kingston Green Radio.

7.) Networking and Discussion

RESURGENCE -

The KEC is in a tough situation like many organisations throughout the country. The meeting agreed on a number of activities to restart once matter improve. It was agreed to widen our networking efforts with other community groups in Kingston. There was agreement to make the centre more available as a community resource including finding funding for free community uses.

A further strategy was widening the offer- more health and fitness based programmes. Using the online forums such as KEC Keeping In Touch as a source of ideas. The meeting also discussed liaison with Little Star to build links from a younger generation.