

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE EAST OF ENGLAND

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

12th February 2020 1.30pm

Held at Future Business Centre Cambridge

Present: Martin Clark, Natacha Wilson (from 1.50), Nicky Stevenson, Arshad Khalid (from 1.45), Andy Brady, Tony Carr, Elaine McCorriston, Phuong Skovgaard (Exclusive Match)

1. **Apologies:** John Chillcott, Brigit Parker, Sue Lowe, Kate Nation (Turtle Dove Cambridge), Andrew Waite (Impactful Governance CIC), Frank Sims (Anglian Community Enterprise (ACE) CIC), Helen Neale (Kiddycharts)

The meeting was inquorate and any decisions will be circulated to members for ratification.

2. **Minutes of the previous meeting** were accepted as a true record
Matters arising - none

3. Directors report and accounts

AB gave a verbal report of the activities that took place this year.

Projects Social Investment – funded by the Barrow Cadbury Foundation’s Connect Fund and delivered in Essex – a second project to the value of 30k of which 50% was spent in this year. We held a series of workshops: business planning, finance, social impact; undertook research on commissioning and ran another workshop on this. The project was good in terms of content and impact on those who came, but turnout was not always as high as we hoped. Another output from the project was to set up a network in Essex and work began with stakeholders on this, including setting up a website and SM accounts.

SEEE hosted the ‘Hidden Revolution’ conference at ARU in Cambridge in November with around 50 in attendance, supporting #WhoKnew campaign and Social Saturday.

We continued to deliver consultancy work on the BBO programmes for Suffolk CC and Herts CC (evaluation of employability programmes) worth £15k

We played a key role strategically in LEP for South East, and were commissioned to write their prospectus on social enterprise (9.5k)

We undertook Impact measurement for STENG partnership of 10 SEs in Cambridgeshire (2.1k)

We delivered the first of four SE start-up workshop in Essex funded by Growth Hub (1.6k)

Membership

We generated income over the year of £6.6k (up from £4.2k). This reflected membership of 134 in 2018 going to approximately 230 in 2019

Partnership working

We received continued support from Central England Co-operative of 9k per annum and this has been essential in maintaining our core activity.

ARU has provided in kind support in the form of venues and support with events.

Allia has continued to provide us rooms for our meetings and office space for EM.

Cambridge Social Ventures have delivered their training events for us

We have continued to work with Big Society Capital to promote access to social finance in the region

AB thanked board members for their continuing commitment and time spent supporting SEEE's work. He also thanked EM for her hard work on SEEE's behalf

The finance report was tabled and was approved subject to ratification by members. It was agreed to post the accounts on SEEE's website for the purposes of transparency.

Finances

Income - 70.1k (68)

Expenditure – 73.7k (69)

Deficit - 3.6k (1.3)

Reserves – 7,418 down from 11,039

Guaranteed income

£9,000 (CEC)

£5,268 (SEUK)

The annual accounts had been circulated and the membership will be asked to approve the accounts by email. There were no questions

4. Appointment of Directors

It was noted that no directors had resigned or been appointed during this period

No nominations have been received

It was agreed that John Chillcott, Tony Carr and Natacha Wilson would be re-elected

5. Any other business

None

The meeting closed at 1.35pm.