



Little Valley Animal Shelter - AGM meeting

Minutes

Date	26 June 2025 @ 5pm
Venue	Little Valley Animal Shelter
Present	Carol Allan (Chair), Elaine McPhail, Evelyn Mundy, Margaret Hardy, Jackie Williams, Helaine Hudson, Sarah Cochrane, Steve Wilson, Hugh Lowson (CEO), Jo Blake, Rachael Manning, Marcus Harrison, George Hill, Hayley Hukku, Luke Harris, Bush & Co Chartered Accountants, and Fiona Gofton (minute taker)

1. Opening address and welcome

The Chair, Carol Allan welcomed all to the AGM.

2. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from: Jacqs Harper, Mr & Mrs Rosenberg, Dave Pollock

3. Approval of the minutes following the last AGM meeting - held on the 27 June 2024

All agreed the minutes following the last AGM meeting held on the 27 June 2024 were an accurate record of the meeting, were approved by all attendees and signed by the Chair.

4. Matters arising

No matters arising.

5. To receive the accounts for 2024

The accounts had been available online in advance of the AGM. Luke Harris, Bush & Co Chartered Accountants presented the accounts and gave an overview.

Steve Wilson asked what percentage profit we are making on our investments. Luke Harris confirmed that the average was around 5%. Rachael explained that we are still unable to make any changes to the former North Devon portfolio due to the permissions required from former trustees, but that this was in hand and should hopefully be resolved soon. Evelyn also advised that due to the ethical restrictions on our investments, lower returns are available on our relatively risk-averse portfolio.

Evelyn Mundy proposed adoption of the accounts, Sarah Cochrane seconded the proposal, and it was carried unanimously.

6. Appointment of an Auditor

The Chairman proposed that Bush & Co. be provisionally reappointed as auditors pending a tender process. Elaine McPhail seconded the proposal, and it was carried unanimously.

7. To receive the Annual Report for 2024

The Annual Report for 2024 was included within the finance report discussed earlier: Evelyn Mundy proposed adoption of the report, Sarah Cochrane seconded the proposal, and it was carried unanimously.

8. Committee election

Fiona Gofton distributed the voting papers to all Branch Members present at the meeting. Fiona Gofton then counted the votes.

All eight nominees were elected.

9. Consideration of resolutions

No resolutions were put forward.

10. Any other business

No issues were raised.

The meeting closed at 5.14pm