

MEMBERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - ONLINE ZOOM MEETING

7 DECEMBER 2023 – 4.45 p.m.

PRESENT

Jim Rimmer (JR) - Member – Chair	Mervyn Thomas (MT) – Member
Ian Burton – Member	Sue Donnelly – Trustee
Karen Owens – Trustee	Richard Snowdon – Trustee
Andy Pritchard (Resources Director)	

All Trustees had been invited to attend.

ALSO PRESENT

Judith Gordon – Acting Clerk

23/1	WELCOME	ACTION
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The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

23/2	DECLARATION OF BUSINESS INTERESTS	
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There were no declarations of interests in relation to the agenda.

23/3	MEMBERSHIP	
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Cathy Morris – had resigned her position as Trustee with effect from 31 August 2023, therefore, her position as a Member had also come to an end on that date.

It was decided that, as the school hoped to join the Southport Learning Trust (SLT) in September 2024, the vacancy would not be filled at this time.

23/4	MINUTES OF AGM- 8 December 2022	
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The signed Minutes had been circulated for information. There were no matters arising

23/5	ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION	
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As these were unchanged, Trustees **ACCEPTED** them as presented.

23/6	FUNDING AGREEMENT	
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There had been no changes since March 2022 and it is not anticipated that any need to be made at present.

RANGE HIGH SCHOOL

It was noted that if Range High did join the SLT in September 2024, changes to both the Articles of Association and the Funding Agreement would have to be made.

23/7 **AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR 2022/23**

The Audited Accounts and Annual Returns for the financial year 2022/23 had been discussed in detail at the Audit & Risk Committee meeting on 14 November and had been accepted by the Full Board at the meeting prior to this one taking place. The recommendation from the Full Board was to accept the documents as presented.

The Members accepted the documents as presented and the Chair (JR) will sign the documents so they can be returned to the Accountants and submitted to Companies House by 31 December 2023. A copy of the signed documents will be put onto the school's website as soon as they are received.

23/8 **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS.**

It was **AGREED**, because of the probability of joining the Southport Learning Trust in September 2024, to extend the current contract with Beaver & Struthers for a further 12 months – to the 31 December 2024.

23/9 MT queried whether the Members had to approve/ratify the decision of the Board to join a MAT. The Clerk will check and report back to all those present at the meeting.

23/10 These Minutes will be sent to the Members for approval before being signed by the Chair.

Signed



CHAIR:

DATE: 13 December 2023