The Stroudwater Textile Trust

(Company No. 03792787 Charity No. 1078398)

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Stroud Valleys Artspace,

Stroud GL5 2HA on Sunday 6 October 2024 at 3.15 pm

1. The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting. Some 29 members were present.
2. Apologies for absence were received from Jane Rowe and Penny Prince.
3. It was proposed by Ms J Harrison Place and seconded by Mr T Ford that the draft Minutes of the AGM held on 8 October 2023 be adopted as a true record. The motion was carried nem con, with six abstentions by members who had not been present.
4. The Chairman spoke briefly to the Report of the Trustees for 2023–24, emphasising the importance of volunteers to delivering the Trust’s mission.
5. The Treasurer spoke briefly to the Financial Statements for 2023–24, and the Chairman gave members a short guide to the structure of the various elements of the annual accounts.
6. It was proposed by Ms J Harrison Place and seconded by Mr T Ford that the Statutory Accounts for 2023–24 be received by the members. The motion was carried nem con.
7. It was proposed by Mrs J Ford and seconded by Mrs A Taylor that members authorise the Trustees to identify and appoint a suitable individual or firm to act as Independent Examiner of the Statutory Accounts of the Trust, following the resignation of Shiner Mitchell Fisher Ltd due to their withdrawal from charity work. The motion was carried nem con.
8. Trustees Mrs J Ford and Mrs A Taylor retired by rotation, and offered themselves for re-election, which was proposed by Mr T Ford, and seconded by Susan McQuail. The motion was carried unanimously.
9. Under Any Other Business, Susan McQuail reiterated the importance of volunteers. The Trust was relying on a very small pool of people, and if someone was for some reason prevented from doing their session at one of the mills, there were fewer and fewer people able to step into the breach.
10. At the conclusion of the meeting, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, pointed out the refreshments, and invited members to stay and chat with their fellows.