# HOOK NORTON COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 17 September 2024
7.30pm
Hook Norton Brewery



Homes for Hooky

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome & Apologies for absence
- 2. Chair's report on the affairs of HNCLT
- 3. Financial report and adoption of the annual accounts
- 4. Appointment of Auditor Resolution – to apply audit exemption in accordance with UK Law
- 5. Election of Board Members
- 6. Ten minute break
- 7. Speakers
  - Sean Woodcock MP for Banbury
  - Charlie Luxton, HNCLT Architectural Design
  - New residents: Hannah, Diggy, Rachel.
- 8. Thanks & close of Meeting





Without affordable and sustainable housing, the heart will leave the village"





### 2023 -2024 An incredible year for HNCLT

We built 8 affordable homes to rent, including:

- 4 x 2-bedroom flats
- 2 x 3-bedroom houses
- 2 x 1-bedroom houses
- 4 x 2-bedroom flats for sale at market value
- A communal building with shared facilities, including a co-working space, a spare room and a therapy room for hire.
- Smart Microgrid that uses renewable energy generated on site to power the homes and Sports & Social Club and EV Car Club.



### Membership of HNCLT

- HNCLT Membership opened in March 2021, we now have 74 members
- We have a further 237 people who have registered an interest and want to be kept informed on progress of the project
- We have 77 people who have invested in the Community Share Raise, who will become new members

### Partnerships



- Charlie Luxton Design,
- Design and architecture
- Greencore Homes –
   Construction,
- Soha Registered Provider,
- CDC Affordable homes Nominations, Land transfer
- HNLC & SNRG -Microgrid.



# Greencore Homes make good progress with construction















Our community share offer launched in February 2024 on the Ethex platform.

Investing in Community Shares is a great way to help community assets to grow and thrive.

Our target is £500,000 with a projected 6% annual target interest for investors.











### Total invested to date £254,920





Our share offer closes 20 October, so please invest now to help ensure the homes & facilities remain in community ownership for the long term.

www.hooknortonclt.org.uk/share-offer

# May 2024, homes completed and landscaping begins



**North Terrace** 

4 x 2-bedroom flats for affordable rent.

4 x 2-bedroom flats for sale at market value.

### South Terrace



2 x 3 bedroom houses for affordable rent.

2 x 1 bedroom houses for affordable rent.



# Microgrid and Community Battery installed

- The microgrid provides a smart local energy system, using renewable energy generated from the 50kWp Sports & Social Club solar PV, and the 68 kWp solar PV on the new homes, to provide power to the SSC, the homes and the EV charge points.
- Hook Norton Low Carbon, in partnership with SNRG own and manage the Bourne Green Microgrid.
- Unused energy is stored in a 100kW Community Battery for use at peak demand.

• SNRG will be the energy supplier for the new homes and residents will benefit from a discount on their energy costs.







### Open Day, May 2024 with over 100 visitors

Greencore Homes hand over the keys to the homes.





# Soha Housing take on management of the affordable homes, June 2024

- Cherwell District Council (CDC) selected applicants from the CDC Housing Register, giving priority to applicants with a local connection to Hook Norton, in line with the HNCLT Lettings Plan.
- CDC then passed their nominations on to Soha, who went on to carry out their own due diligence.
- Successful applicants were then offered a viewing, and keys were handed over once rental documents had been signed.
- We're really pleased to say that all 8 homes were offered to applicants with a local connection to Hook Norton.

# All homes are allocated to people with a local connection to Hook Norton and residents move in.



Our youngest resident



# Community Building, Shared Facilities completed.

- A flexible communal space,
- let to the Hooky Hub
- co working space.
- A self contained ensuite bedroom for hire by residents and the wider community.
- An ensuite room with plans to be used as a Therapy Room, available for local practitioners to hire.



# Our four homes for sale on the north terrace.

- The market value homes were valued in March at leasehold prices between £275,000 and £292,000.
- The were initially marketed locally, with some interest from potential buyers.
- They went on the open market with College and County Estate Agents mid April and several viewings have taken place with provisional offers made.



### Project Funding

- European Regional Development Fund via Low Carbon Hub OxFutures Programme -Feasibility Study and Early Project Costs
- Homes England Development Grant funding
- Westmill Solar Co-operative Grant Project Management
- Hook Norton Low Carbon Development Loan
- CAF Venturesome Loan and Grant Funding Pre-development Costs and Project Management
- Plunkett Foundation Support Community Building Business Plan
- Oxford Advanced Living Project Construction Loan
- Low Carbon hub Grant Finance

#### The Year Ahead

- Celebration Party!
- Community Share Raise completed
- Management Company in process of being formed
- Landscaping group to be formed
- Residents Committee to be formed
- Sale of the four market value homes completed

# Financial Report

HNCLT P&L

01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024

Income	
Cost Recovery	£92,430
Donations	£1,765
Grant Income	£8,875
VAT Repayment	£56,133
Total Income	£159,203
Development	
Cost of Development	£2,279,548
Work in Progress carried forward	-£2,279,548
<u>Expenses</u>	
Administrative Expenses	
Project Administration	£53,013
Office Administration	£3,573
Insurances	£403
Professional and Legal Fees	£13,588
Accountancy Fees	£2,600
Bookkeeping Fees	£355
Subscriptions	£508
Website and Sundries	£82
Loan Interest	£108,173
Total Administrative Expenses	£182,296
Net Loss/Profit for the Year	-£23,093
Retained Loss Brought Forward from 2023	-£13,413
Retained Loss Carried Forward	-£36,506



# Financial Report cont.

# HNCLT Balance Sheet

As of 31/03/2024

Tangible Fixed Assets	£71,653	£71,653
Current Assets		
Debtors	£1,500	
Work In Progress	£2,399,124	
	£40,719	
	£2,441,343	
Current Liabilities		
Creditors: amounts falling due w ithin one year	£861,172	
Net Current Assets/Liabilities		£1,580,171
		£1,651,824
Creditors falling due after more than one yea	r	£1,688,257
Total net assets (liabilities)		-£36,433
Capital and Reserves		
Ordinary shares		£72
Profit and Loss Account		-£36,505
Shareholders Funds		-£36,433



# **Appointment of Auditor**

# Proposed Resolution to disapply section 83 (duty to appoint auditors) of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014

HNCLT will apply audit exemption in accordance with Rule 52(b)

If the above resolution is passed, it is proposed to reappoint Abraham & Dobell as reporting accountant for the current year



#### Election of board members

#### Members within their three year term:

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Cathy Ryan
                Chair
                                        elected 13/09/2022 due for re-election 2025
                                   elected 17/01/2023 due for re-election 2026
Charlie Luxton
               Company Secretary
                                         elected 13/09/2022 due for re-election 2025
Andrew Bowen
                                         elected 13/12/2023 due for re-election 2026
Richard Brown
                                          elected 26/06/2024 due for re-election 2027
Alice Lacey
                                         elected 07/08/2024 due for re-election 2027
Rachel Cronin
                                                   /09/2024 due for re-election 2027
Grant Appleton
                                         elected
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#### Members standing down at the AGM:

Fiona Brown Vice Chair

#### Members standing down 2023 -2024:

Tim Lunel Teasurer

Mike Read

**Annabel Shawcross** 

**Anne Tutt** 

Max Fontana - Revel

#### **Election of Board Members cont.**

- No new nominations have been received, although the Board is keen to recruit new members now that the highly technical and legal elements of the project have been completed.
- It's an ideal opportunity for anyone interested in living in one of the homes to have a say in what happens to the open spaces and communal building among other things.
- Various skills are needed, and if anyone is interested in taking up the challenge, please speak to one of the Board members or send us a message at <a href="mailto:hello@hooknortonclt.org.uk">hello@hooknortonclt.org.uk</a>

# That concludes the official business of the HNCLT AGM 2024

There will now be a short 10 minute break with time to get a drink before we hear from our guest speakers:

Sean Woodcock, MP for Banbury

Charlie Luxton, Architechtural Designer

Hannah, Diggy & Rachel, new residents



#### **HNCLT AGM 2024**

#### Please welcome:

- Sean Woodcock MP for Banbury
- Charlie Luxton, HNCLT Architectural Design Team
- Residents Hannah, Diggy & Rachel

