

LEEDS CIVIC TRUST
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation Charity No. 1014362)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

5.45 p.m. Monday, 19th February 2024 (Doors open 5.30pm)

Venue: Queen's Hotel (Palm Court)

AGENDA

Welcome by the President Jeremy Burton

1. To receive apologies for absence
2. To approve the minutes of the previous AGM held on 21 November 2022
3. To receive and, if approved, adopt the Annual Review for 2023
4. To receive and, if approved, adopt the Trust's Statement of Accounts
5. To elect the President
6. To elect Council Members
7. To elect the Treasurer
8. To appoint the Independent Examiners of the Trust Accounts

POST AGM DISCUSSION: THE FUTURE OF THE HIGH STREET

Following the AGM there will be a refreshment break with drinks and canapes. This will be followed at 7.00 pm by a panel discussion with the following panel members:

Karen Butler, Director of Place and Engagement at the Leeds BID

Steve Foster, General Manager Landsec (Owners of The Trinity and White Rose Shopping Centres)

Ian Harvey, Civic Voice Executive Director, interim CEO of the Institute for Place Management and member of the government's high street task force

Civic Trust Director Martin Hamilton will chair the discussion.

Notes to Agenda Items

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

Given time constraints, the chair will prioritise questions submitted in advance of the meeting but may take questions from the floor should time allow

VOTING

Voting will take place by a show of hands or, if notified prior to the meeting, by proxy.

Item 5 Election of President

Jeremy Burton is willing to continue in office for a further year should this be the wish of members.

Item 6 Election of Council Members

Council comprises up to 12 elected Trustees. Trustees are elected to serve for three years. They are permitted to seek re-election allowing a maximum of nine years of continuous service, following which they must step down for a year.

This is the third year under the Trust's new constitution (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) and as such prior service under the old constitution is not a consideration.

However, there is still a requirement that a third of Trustees (4) retire at this AGM though they can seek re-election.

The Trustees have agreed that the four longest serving members will step down from Council. All four of them are seeking re-election.

- Mike Piet
- Clifford Stead
- Richard Voss
- Lucy Moore*

*Has served the same length of time as three other trustees but has volunteered to seek re-election to fulfil the Trust's constitutional requirements

Item 7 Election of Treasurer

Robert Solyom was elected as Treasurer at the last AGM and, with the support of Council, is willing to continue in office for a further year should this be the wish of members. On election, the Treasurer automatically becomes a Trustee.

The procedure for electing members to positions covered by agenda items 5-7 are outlined in the covering letter.

Item 8 Appointment of the Independent Examiners of the Trust Accounts

Council recommends the retention of our current auditors, Sedulo.

Martin Hamilton
Director, Leeds Civic Trust