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## **WILTS & BERKS CANAL TRUST**

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 299595

RESTORING THE WESSEX WATERWAYS THROUGH WILTSHIRE AND OXFORDSHIRE

Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Wilts & Berks Canal Trust (company no. 2267719) held at Civic Centre Wootton Bassett on Tuesday 27th January 2009 at 7.30pm

Present:

John Laverick

Chairman

Ken Oliver

Chief Executive Officer

Alan Norris Luke Walker Peter Kinsman Vice Chairman Vice Chairman

Chris Coyle

Treasurer Co Secretary

George Eycott Mike Lang Ray Aldridge

Director Director Director

Rachael Banyard Director Colin Fletcher Edward Thomas Director

Director

Brian Stovold Martin Buckland Director

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Robert Jones Brian Roberts

Director appointed by The Inland Waterways Association

Also present were 3 ordinary voting members of the Trust (as recorded on the attendance list)

## 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Douglas Harris.

The Company Secretary made the meeting aware that he had received a number of proxy votes.

## 2. To approve the change to Item 33 of Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The Chairman read out the proposed changes as stated in the Agenda for the meeting and noted that the EGM had been called to avoid any doubt in the adoption of the proposed change at the AGM in October and asked for comments.

James King said that he was attending on behalf of a number of members at East Vale who were concerned that Council were not actively reacting to issues that seemed to restrict the activities of work parties - for example chain saw use.

Ken Oliver responded to note that the Trustees were responsible for activities that took place on the canal and in the name of the Trust, and had to ensure that all legal obligations, and the obligations imposed by our insurers, were complied with.

The motion was then put to the meeting by Colin Fletcher and seconded by Luke Walker and a show of hands indicated that

17 were in favour

None were against There were 2 abstentions

The Company Secretary then informed the meeting of the proxy votes (2 in favour and 3 against). He noted therefore that the required 75% majority had been attained and the motion was therefore carried.

## 3. To Approve appointment of Auditors

The Company Secretary noted that this item had been added to this Agenda again to avoid any doubt as to whether it had been properly passed at the AGM. The Treasurer noted that in fact the Trust's accounts were examined not audited according to current legal requirements. He then recommended that Morris Owen & Co were re-appointed

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The motion was then put to the meeting by Robert Jones and seconded by Rachael Banyard and a show of hands indicated that

18 were in favour

None were against There was 1 abstention

The Company Secretary then informed the meeting of the proxy votes (4 in favour and none against). He noted therefore that the required 75% majority had been attained and the motion was therefore carried.

The Chairman then formally closed the meeting at 7.45pm.

Signed as true record

Date:

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