# South Brent Community Energy Society Limited

Minutes of 2025 Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 16th September 2025 at 7.30pm.
South Brent Old School Community Centre, South Brent, Devon and via Zoom.

Members present or joining via Zoom: P Kelly* (Chair), E Chapman (EJC)* (Secretary), R Hancock (RH)* (Treasurer), F Macnaughton*, D Parnell (DP)*, J Aust*, J Buckpitt, R Willoughby, R Chapman, P Steven, A Spring, L Fox, B Brighouse, M Duckworth,, R Brighouse, A Lovett, J Nichols, G Jones, H Jennings, H Gabriel (for SSB), K Royston, C Elliott, G Richards. (*directors).

Guests: M Ballard, J Severn, J Macnaughton

1. Welcome to Members: Peter Kelly welcomed everyone to the AGM, in person or via Zoom.
2. Apologies for absence: J Thomson, N Hawkins, J Rawlinson, C Evans, P Reay, V Turbett, A Stokes, A Cuthbertson, T & F Ferry, T Haley, R Wylie, Y Elliott, L Gribble, Y Hawkins, D Butcher, P Wainwright, A Duckworth. (Plus apologies for R Buckpitt and G Parton, non-members).
3. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the 2024 AGM: approved unanimously. RH advised that although the 2024 AGM had agreed we would use Share Energy services the board did not pursue the option due the wind turbine being out of service. DP advised that in response to concerns about directors visiting the wind turbine a lone worker protocol had been implemented.
4. To receive and adopt the accounts, balance sheet and reports of the Board: RH introduced the accounts which were dominated by the lack of income due to the wind turbine breakdown. The society was in a robust position with cash in hand. But running a wind turbine is a high risk enterprise. He congratulated Hayden Gabriel for getting the school PV installation completed. The accounts were approved unanimously.
5. RH proposed that there was no need to undertake a full professional audit of the society for the year 2025-26: This was approved unanimously.
6. Election of Directors. In accordance with the Rules, one third of the board stands down each year. Jack Aust and Rupert Hancock stood down and, being eligible, were re-elected. Francis Macnaughton resigned his board membership. There were no other proposals for the board but the Secretary stated that anyone interested could come along to the next board meeting and consider being co-opted.

   The Board for the next year comprises: Peter Kelly, Edward Chapman, Rupert Hancock, Dan Parnell and Jack Aust.
7. The Secretary thanked Francis Macnaughton for all he had done for the society including from the beginning, being involved in the planning application. Francis was presented with a small token of the societies gratitude. Francis replied that the society was a good model of a community enterprise.
8. John Buckpitt thanked EJC for his persistence in getting the wind turbine back up and running. Farmers were faced with similar challenges all the time.

The meeting closed at 20.00.

EJC Chapman, and J Aust, Company Directors, 28 September 2025.