

## **Minutes of the Special General Meeting of Plot Owners**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

Attendees:

Trustees: Frank Stewart (Chair), Amy McKee, Chris Hardy

Residents of Delamere Park as recorded on Attendance Sheets

Apologies received from Martin Cutbill, Anne German (Trustees)

The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm.

At the start of the meeting Frank Stewart welcomed attendees and gave apologies. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss Resolution 2, relating to the installation of Solar Panels. Resolution 1, relating to letting of the Park Room, had been previously withdrawn, with notification of this action given on the Notice Board and via e-mail to as many residents/plot holders as possible.

### **Resolution 2: Policy and Guidelines to be adopted regarding the installation of Solar Panels. (Proposed on the night by Frank Spencer and seconded by Chris Hardy)**

This Policy and Guidelines, as set out in the Notice of meeting, was presented and a discussion took place regarding its merits. Various views were expressed by residents and plot holders and a number of questions asked. Answers were provided by Trustees where possible and information exchanged.

No amendments were proposed.

The Resolution was put to the meeting and the recorded votes were 73 for the Resolution and 10 against. There was one abstention. Included in the above voting numbers were 51 Proxy Votes for the Resolution and 7 against.

The Trustees will now implement the policy and guidelines in the consideration of applications for Solar Panel and similar infrastructure.

Residents and Plot Holders were thanked for their attendance and the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

## **Policy and Guidelines to be adopted regarding Installation of Solar Panels**

DPML support the need to secure more renewable energy sources. However, residents are required to seek approval from DPML for the installation of panels. DPML will have regard to the number and scale of these panels in relation to the house type and roof area. DPML may, in instances, refuse

such an application, where it is considered the scale, appearance and number of panels are excessive in relation to the proportions of the property or roof space, thus affecting the character of the property.

Residents should adhere to the following principles in order to maximise their likelihood of approval:

- i) Panels should not extend beyond the roof dimensions.
- ii) Panels (including borders and fixings) should be dark, and no lighter than the roof materials.
- iii) Any panels appearing on a front/street facing roof should be a single block, and care has been taken to minimise the visual impact.