## **East Harptree Community Benefit Society Limited**

## **AGM Motion 2**

- 1. The Management Committee are proposing to ask the membership to change the rules surrounding quoracy at the societies Members Meeting.
- 2. The existing rule 4.12 states;
  - Before a Members' Meeting can do business, a minimum number of Members (a quorum) must be present. Except where these Rules say otherwise a quorum is present if 5 Members or 10% of the Members entitled to vote at the meeting (whichever is greater) are present in person.
- 3. EHCBS has been successful in attracting a large number of shareholders which currently stands at **343** members. We are aware of further individuals wishing to become members and as the project progresses, we will be looking to increase our membership as we seek new funds and investment.
- 4. Whilst a large and diverse membership is beneficial to the society and its activities, it does mean that there is a risk that 'in-person' decision making meetings may not be quorate and therefore unable to conduct business.
- 5. For our first AGM using the current rules we are required to have **35 members** attending and as EHCBS develops and attracts new members, this will increase.
- 6. Members meetings include the Annual Members Meeting (rule 4.4) and Special Members Meetings (rule 4.5) but both share the same procedural rules.
- 7. The Management Committees proposal is that we amend the rules for all members meetings to fix the minimum quoracy to **20** or if membership decreases to below 200, use a percentage of the membership.
- 8. The formal resolution being put to members is that the Management Committee are recommending that the East Harptree Community Benefit Society Limited members agree that rule 4.12 be amended to:

Before a Members' Meeting can do business, a minimum number of Members (a quorum) must be present. Except where these Rules say otherwise a quorum is present if 20 Members or 10% of the Members entitled to vote at the meeting (whichever is lower) are present in person

## **Chris Head**

Secretary



