

# Flowers from the Farm (FftF) Company no. 07541733 Annual General Meeting – 9 September 2024

# **EGM 2024 MINUTES**

#### 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- Election of Sarah Wilson as Chair of the EGM
- Apologies
  - Megan Edmonds of Roots Family Farm Shop
  - Rachel Mortishre-Smith of Homestead Grown
  - Suzanne Cubit-O'Neil of From garden to Vase
  - Fern Devine of Lapley Farm Flowers
  - Jo Thompson of Wye Valley Flowers
- Confirmation of quorum 86 Proxy votes and 7 in person

### 2. ELECTION OF SARAH WILSON AS CHAIR FOR THE MEETING

Proposed – Jo Wright Seconded - Toria Britten Approved – With 7 votes in the room and proxy votes totalling

For: 91 Against: 0 Abstained: 2

## 3. APPROVAL OF THE NEW CONSTITUTION

Approved – With 7 votes in the room and proxy votes totalling

For: 91 Against: 0 Abstained: 2

#### 4. ELECTION OF SARAH WILSON TO INTERNAL CHAIR

Proposed – Jo Wright Seconded – Toria Britten

Approved – With 7 votes in the room and proxy votes totalling

For: 93 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

### 5. ELECTION OF HEATHER WARD TO COMPLIANCE LEAD

Proposed – Toria Britten

Seconded - Sarah Jones

Approved – With 7 votes in the room and proxy votes totalling

For: 93 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

#### 6. ELECTION OF OLIVIA WILSON TO POLICY LEAD

Proposed – Jo Wright

Seconded - Sarah Wilson

Approved – With 7 votes in the room and proxy votes totalling

For: 93 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

## 7. ELECTION OF SALLY ROBERTSON TO POLICY LEAD

Proposed – Sarah Wilson

Seconded – Wendy Paul

Approved – With 7 votes in the room and proxy votes totalling

For: 93 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

# 8. ELECTION OF CISSY TO EDUCATION LEAD

Proposed – Jo Wright

Seconded - Sarah Wilson

Approved – With 7 votes in the room and proxy votes totalling

For: 93 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

#### 9. ELECTION OF POPPY TO MARKETING LEAD

Proposed – Sarah Wilson Seconded – SarahJones

Approved – With 7 votes in the room and proxy votes totalling

For: 93 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

#### 10. AMEND THE DIRECTORS REGISTERED WITH COMPANIES HOUSE

The current directors registered with Companies House for Flowers from the Farm Limited are:

- · Wendy Paul
- · Joanna Wright
- · Debbie Scott
- Natasha Midgley

Following this Extraordinary General Meeting - propose registered directors will be:

- · Joanna Wright
- · Sarah Wilson
- Natasha Midgley
- · Heather Ward
- · Olivia Wilson
- Poppy Gardner
- Sally Robinson
- Cissy Bullock

#### 11. THANK YOU TO THE OUT GOING CO-CHAIRS

A special thank you to Debbie Scott and Wendy Paul who are both stepping down as Co-chairs after what has been an intense couple of years, Debbie has been in position for nearly three years and Wendy two, in what has been a period of change for the organisation, which has been turbulent at times and wonderful at others, having learnt so much in the process. They have taken difficult decisions for the organisation, and we would like to thank them very much for everything they have done.

## 12. CONFERENCE

We are delighted to be able to announce the return of the Flowers from the Farm Conference & AGM, this will be held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at Eastwood Hall in Nottingham. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible, further information will be released shortly, regarding accommodation, speakers, trade stands and tickets will go on sale on the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024.

## 13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

**Jo Wright, External Chair** – Advised that she would be stepping down from the interim position of external chair at the AGM on January 24th, 2025, which is a position she always wanted but feels it's now time during the first chapter for a new person to take over when it is your role to write and make more links with the community. The role is not as onerous as it used to be with a bigger board, more support and a better structure. If you would like any further information, please do get in touch.