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4 Fore Street, Saltash PL12 6JL

## **Report to Saltash Town Council: April 4 2019**

I shall be unable to attend this week's meeting because of a prior engagement. Here is a quick update on our activity:

### **General Meeting**

We have called members to an important special meeting on **April 9 2019, 7pm at Wesley Church**. Members will consider whether to pass two special resolutions:

- (1) to convert the CIC to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, and
- (2) to adopt the proposed Constitution of the CIO.

If these resolutions are passed, we will immediately apply to the Charity Commission, and we hope to have our application approved in the next couple of months. The change will not affect what we currently do in any way. We would however become Community Enterprises PL12 CIO, no longer using the name Saltash Gateway CIC. 9 current Directors wish to become Trustees of the new Charity. We believe that being a charity better reflects the work we do; and also confers valuable tax concessions which would enable us to use our resources more efficiently to benefit the area.

The draft Constitution is available on our website, if Town Councillors who are not members wish to check this out.

### **CIC Membership**

Numbers continue to grow, almost touching 500 now.

### **Scrapstore**

We are feeling confident about being able to continue this Enterprise long term, and a new business plan is being put together in the light of experience in the pilot phase.

Our long-standing Director from 4 Fore Street, Rosie Waters, is now transferring to the Scrapstore.

### **4 Fore Street**

I will let you know the revised management arrangements in my report next time. We will be gradually winding down the fruit and vegetable stall and adopting a new approach, which I will explain next time too. We are also going to make improvements to furniture and fittings etc.

**Peter Thistlethwaite**

**Chair**

March 29 2019