

To all Members of Ludlow Rotary Club

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 22 August 2017 at 8pm

I hereby give notice that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club will be held at The Feathers Hotel, Ludlow at 8pm on Tuesday 22 August 2017. The purpose of this meeting is:

- 1 To seek the agreement of members to a resolution of the Trustees of the Ludlow Rotary Club Charitable Trust (registered in England, number 250736) to a change in the governing document, dated 29th November 1966.** This change is to adopt model amendments that provide for the better administration of the Trust. Guidance for this model has been supplied by Rotary Great Britain and Ireland and has been approved by Charity Commission.

This change can be made using the powers contained in the Charities Act, 2011 – s.280 (2) and (4)

A copy of the proposed amendments is available on request and will be available at the meeting.

- 2 To consult members on a proposal by the Trustees to replace the charitable objects of the charity.**

These are currently defined in the governing document, dated 29th November 1966, as follows:

The Trustees shall apply the Trust funds to the following purposes:

- a. the relief of poverty and distress by direct payments to individuals in necessitous circumstances or by contributions to such charitable organisations or funds already existing for this purpose;*
- b. the advancement of education by contribution to such educational organisations or funds established for charitable purposes.*

It is the view of the Trustees that these objects are no longer appropriate and unduly restrict our ability to donate to a wide range of charitable causes. The proposal is to replace them with the model purposes for Rotary Clubs agreed with the Charity Commission:

“... monies which may from time to time be received by the Trustees (whether such monies shall arise from donations bequests deeds of covenant or from any other source) and also the investments for the time being representing the same (all of which are hereinafter included in the expression “the Trust Funds”) UPON TRUST to apply both the capital and income thereof to or for the relief of the poor and needy or such other charitable purposes as the Club shall in duly constituted meeting from time to time direct”

The Trustees do not have the power to make this change and will therefore seek an order, by way of a Scheme, from the Charity Commissioners.

- 3 To appoint Simon Biggs, FCA, of DRE & Co, Ludlow, to act *pro bono* as independent examiner of the Club’s accounts.**

Barry Forrester
Honorary Secretary
14 August 2017