



Redwick Community Group

A progress update – 10th May 2024



What is RCG

- A Charity that will act in the interests of the village with its interaction with various stakeholder groups, such as:
 - NCC
 - WAG
 - Grant awarding bodies e.g. wind turbines and solar farms.
 - Other 3rd parties e.g. St. Luke's Church, Chepstow Harriers, etc.
- Manage the assets of the village in the interests of the village.
 - The Pound.
 - Prince Charles Gardens
 - Playing fields – once transferred from Allotment Wardens
 - Land near Mead Lane – once transferred from Allotment Wardens
- Award funding to village initiatives which has been generated via grants, fundraising, donations, etc.





RCG is not able to

- Act outside of its **Charitable Objects**
this means that it cannot:
 - Get involved in disputes of any kind within the village.
 - Act on behalf of villagers in any disputes.
 - Manage and maintain any assets that it does not own.
- This is no different to RCC who have no authority to intervene or adjudicate.



What are the Charitable Objects?

To always act in the best interests of the village when:

1. Acting as a point of contact/interface for the village, including but not limited to discussions and agreements with:
 1. Statutory Bodies.
 2. Grant awarding bodies.
 3. Other third parties.
2. Managing, maintaining and developing the assets of the village.
3. Awarding grants to organisation based within the village of Redwick.

Structure



- RCG will be a **Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)** meaning that Trustees have no liabilities.
- The Board of Trustees will provide oversight/governance and will be led by a Chair.
- The Management Committee will be responsible for the day to day running of the Charity in line with the **Management Committee Terms of Reference** and associated **Operating Procedures**.
- Officers of the Management Committee are:
 - Chairman
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
- Officers are signatories for the Charity's bank account.



A note on the Management Committee

- **Additional volunteers** will be sought to help with the day-to-day running of the Charity.
- The roles will be **active** and most definitely not passive.
- Interests **SHALL** be declared, and committee members will be **EXCLUDED** from involvement in subjects where there are clearly conflicts of interest.

How often will the team meet?

- Trustee meetings are likely to be no more than once per quarter and will be chaired by a member of the Board.
- Management Committee Ordinary meetings are likely to be every two months.
- AGM will be held annual on the date starting 12 months from the date when the Management Committee is elected.
- Officers will be subject to re-election at the AGM, and it is for this reason that the AGM must be Chaired by a Trustee.
- **ONLY THE AGM WILL BE OPEN TO REDWICK RESIDENTS.**



Responsibilities & Liabilities

- The **Governing Document** details the boundaries in which the Charity must operate and the responsibilities of the various roles that make up the Charity. This will allow the CIO to insure against Trustee liabilities.
- The **Management Committee** will operate in line with its **Terms of Reference**, which must be approved by the Board of Trustees. This will clearly state the boundaries in which the Management Committee must operate and any constraints that may apply e.g. limits on discretionary spending that has not been approved by the Trustees.

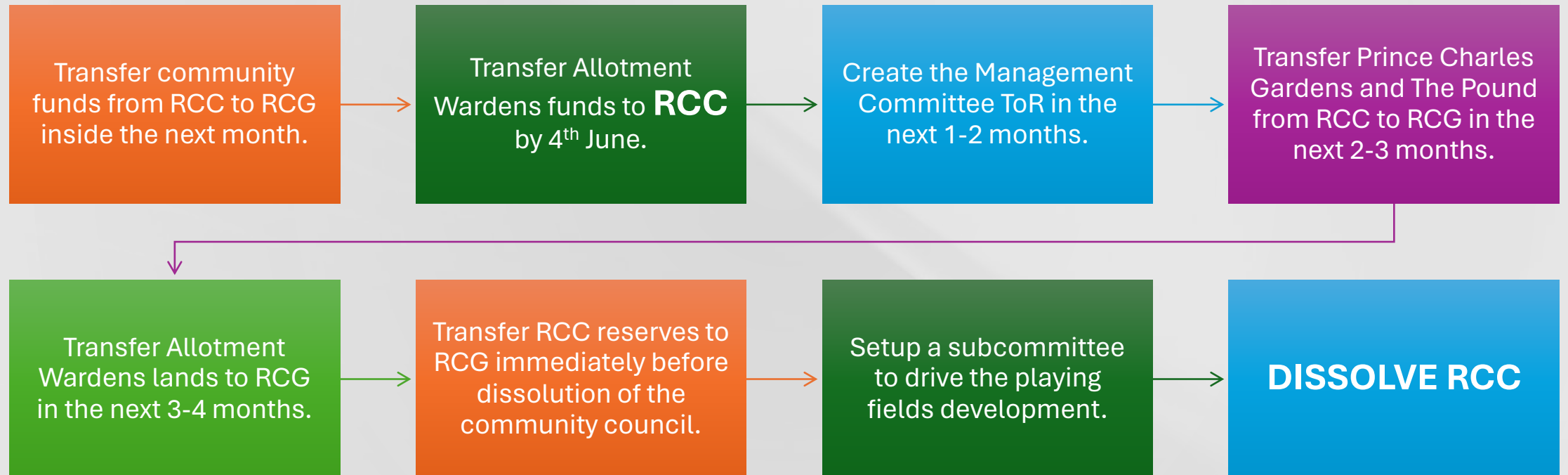




Progress thus far.

1. Trustees confirmed.
2. Officers confirmed.
3. Bank Account setup.
4. Governing Document created, signed off and submitted (23rd April).

What is to be done?





RCC Dissolution - Update

- Call held with NCC to confirm that we have a plan to dissolve RCC.
- Questions raised by Interim Head of Legal regarding Hall and RCC bank account.
- May's meeting will document the next steps for dissolution of RCC, minutes and agenda to be submitted to NCC.
- Minutes and Agenda will be reviewed at July's full Council Meeting of NCC.
- Permission to dissolve RCC confirmed (hopefully) after the July meeting.



FAQs

- Can the Community Group be combined with the Village Hall charity?
 - No as the objectives and scope are different.
- Can members of the Hall Board of Trustees/Management Committee also be a part of the Community Group Board or Management Committee?
 - This is possible but is not recommended as there could be conflicts of interest as the Hall charity is likely to approach the Community Group with grant applications/funding requests.
- Who are the Trustees?
 - Nick Lakey – Board of Trustees Chair
 - Ellie Jones
 - Rhys Waters
 - Ceri Trela
 - John Williams
- Who are the Management Committee Officers?
 - Will Hart – Secretary
 - Catrin Devonald – Treasurer
 - Chair – Elwyn Jarrett **(INTERIM)**



Questions?

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