Dorchester Area Community Land Trust (DACLT)

Minutes of the Board Meeting held on Monday 24th August 2026 at 5pm in the Community Room at Borough Gardens House, Dorchester.

Board Present: Felicity McLaren (FM), Ian Gosling (IG), Robin James (RJ), Julie-Ann Booker (JB), and Barry Thompson (BT).

Also Present: Paul Derrien (PD), Connie Hollings (CH).

	For Action
1) Welcome IG (in absence of Chair) welcome the Board and opened the meeting. 2) Apologies Apologies were received from Tricia Mitchell (TM) (Chair), Emma Scott (ES), Steve Waston (SW), and Theo Hawkins (TH). 3) Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest. 4) Adoption of minutes of the board meeting on 29th June 2026 The minutes of the previous board meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting, subject to the following addition: *"Section 11 – Alistair Chisholm (AC) has stepped down as a DACLT Board Member on the 15th of April."*	**Connie Hollings**
5) Matters arising There were no matters arising that were not already on the agenda for discussion. 6) Membership applications No new memberships were presented to the board. 7) Treasurers Report *i) Current Finances* The DACLT have a total of £19,400 in the bank. Since last meeting, balances paid out have included Excello Law (£2290.80), annual accounts (£570), and website fees. An £18,300 payment is still anticipated for AC Archaeology. 8) Roman Corner Work is continuing on the Roman Corner development. AJC expect the roof to be on by September, and the building completed around May 2027. JB had questions regarding the sustainability plan for the flats e.g., solar panels, clothes drying area, green roof. PD to find plans and share with the group.	**Paul Derrien**
9) Change to housing register PD explained the changes coming to the housing register, which will be relevant to the new Roman Corner development. From January, users will need to reapply for the housing register. DC will advertise the properties on Dorset Home Choice. Everybody on the register will be notified and, if applying, assessed by the local lettings plan. DC will then create a list to go to Aster.	

DACLT should make sure to advertise the need to be on the housing register to apply for the flats. 10) Date of the next Board meeting The next board meeting is TBC, this will be held at 3pm over Zoom. 11) Meeting Closure There being no other business the chair closed the meeting at 5.40pm.	