

Membership Brainstorming Meeting Saturday 31 October 2020

Present; Steve, Ishbel, Sattwa, Shantell, Adam, Maple, James, Nityama, Alicia, Trinh, Mog, Lexie, Ben.

Ideas discussed / items brought up:

Shower at CK (Coin operated like at Bundagen?)

People staying at CK to make a donation of some \$ amount per night if they wish to.

Scarcity of blank shares available. Time for Secretary to write letter to non resident members politely informing them that we have prospective members looking for shares.

Inheritance of shares and procedure involved.

Who's Who list would make it easier for prospective members to connect with resident members.

Voting for prospective member could possibly be limited to only people who have met them?

Review Meeting for prospective Members to be carried out at community meeting? This would mean more members present, possibly an easier forum for people to give open feedback. If any serious concerns, then voting will be postponed until these concerns are addressed and resolved. Obviously the prospective members being reviewed, and voted on, would not be present at this meeting

Prospective members desirable ? / how many resident members would meet this kind of criteria? / social engineering doesn't work / core values / vision statement / not really an intentional community - yet.

Joint member process could be adjusted to make it more welcoming and easier, whilst retaining some essential components like Police check. (and meeting people is a good thing)

Prospective Members to meet 30 members, attend 2 social events, and 1 working bee to be proposed as an addition to the membership process. Seems the most agreed by a wide group of members. At present someone can progress through the membership process, to become eligible as a member within 3 months. We talked about possibilities of organising a work bee for instance, around the weekend prospective members are coming to stay, to attend a meeting. Also more spontaneous social events, to facilitate them moving through our process.

We also need to consider our members wishing to leave / sell their share. Not good to have people hanging on here who want to leave.

Look for info that could be more applicable / relevant than Diana Leafe Christian – Intentional Community Magazine?

Thanks to all who attended this bright and positive discussion.