

Nominations to the Board

The Rules allow for a maximum number of seven Board members of which one third must retire each year in rotation. Tom Parker will retire by rotation and is seeking re-election. Anthony Woolhouse is currently co-opted onto the Board and will be standing for election at the AGM. The Co-op received no new nominations to join the Board. The number of directors proposed does not exceed the maximum number permitted so there will not be a “competitive” ballot. Members will be asked to vote for Tom and Anthony through a motion put before the AGM.

Biographical Notes

Existing Directors

Tom Parker - Turners Hill

Tom has lived and worked in Turners Hill for over 25 years as a Head Gardener, and is currently chair of the REPOWERBalcombe Co-operative and a director at Springbok Sustainable Wood Heat. As a governor at Turners Hill School Tom has been responsible for a number of environmental initiatives including solar power, wind turbines, air source heat pumps, rainwater harvesting, LED lighting and planting a woodland.

Tom has installed a variety of renewable technologies on his current home and charges his electric car with solar PV. With REPOWERBalcombe Tom has worked to develop a solar farm connected to mainline railway.

He is very keen to see community energy groups develop locally and benefit our area in the same way as others he has been involved with.

Co-opted Director

Anthony Woolhouse – Lymington

Anthony is passionate about living a sustainable life. He lives in an eco-house, drives electric cars and invests in renewable energy projects.

He is chairman and founder of West Solent Solar Cooperative, and on the board of the Wight Community Energy. He has also joined the board of Repower Balcombe as the Traction projects one of the few projects likely to be built without subsidy.

He is a Quaker and this is core to his belief that substantial change is needed if we are to manage climate change. He gives frequent talks to groups far and wide on a more sustainable world.