

STIRLING TENANTS ASSEMBLY MEETING HELD IN MAYFIELD CENTRE ON 18th APRIL 2017 AT 10.30am

1. Present:

Moira Robertson, Duncan Faichney, Hugh McClung, Dolly Gemmell, Anna Johnston, Richard Waddell, Delia Waddell, Willie Derrick, Alex Lamb, Michael Griffiths, Philomena McClung, Tony Kelly (TPAS).

Apologies:

Thomas (Allan) Brown, Kathy Brown

Hugh welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 21st March 2017:

Acceptance of minutes was proposed by Michael and seconded by Willie.

3. Business arising:

Page 1 (Up-to-date list of STA members' details) – This has now been prepared and was circulated.

4. Reports:

• Chairperson

Hugh explained that the Budget Report and Workplan will be covered later in today's agenda.

Secretary

Philomena informed the meeting of the death of Peter Rattray, a former STA member. Funeral will be on Thursday 20^{th} April at 1.30pm at Co-operative Funeral Parlour in Riverside.

• Treasurer

Moira presented the accounts from April 2016 to March 2017. These will now be put forward for approval at the Annual General Meeting on 6th May and will be presented to Stirling Council.

Dolly reported that the balance at present is £13,257.05. Outstanding cheques £1,579.49. This will leave a balance of £11,677.56

Moira and Dolly were thanked for their hard work.

5. Budget 2017/2018:

• Hugh presented the proposed budget application for 2017/2018. Office-bearers had presented this to Carol Hamilton at their meeting on 10th April.

6. Work Plan 2017/2018:

• Future meetings:-

16th May 2017 Cowie Community Centre (Michael's apologies in advance)

20th June 2017 Kippen or Crianlarich

15th August 2017 Kippen or Crianlarich 19th September 2017 Victoria Halls, Dunblane 17th October 2017 Hillview, Cultenhove

21st November 2017 Hillpark Community Centre, Bannockburn

19th December 2017 Mayfield Centre 16th January 2018 Mayfield Centre

20th February 2018 Allan Centre, Bridge of Allan

20th March 2018 Ochil Centre, Raploch

17th April 2018 Throsk

• Training:-

Tony said that training on roles and responsibilities of office-bearers and of committee members could be dealt with by TP worker. Procurement planning for new contract for TP worker is being finalised and it is envisaged that the new worker should be in place by end of August/beginning of September.

At our August meeting Tony will discuss the roles and responsibilities of office-bearers and of committee members.

Training on HRA – TPAS will provide half-day training on 27th June 2017. This should involve discussion on how Stirling Council deals with the HRA. Tony will endeavour to have someone from Stirling Council staff present at the training session.

(At this point Dolly had to leave the meeting. She was thanked by Hugh, on behalf of the committee, for all her hard work and efforts as treasurer. Dolly was presented with a bouquet of flowers as a token of our thanks.)

7. Visit to North Ayrshire:

• Willie reported that the visit had been enjoyable and informative, although he would have liked to have heard more from the North Ayrshire tenants who were present. It was good to have an insight into what happens in other areas. It is hoped that a return visit from North Ayrshire to Stirling can be arranged.

8. Report from Bank:

• Objection had been made to Ombudsman as previously discussed. An investigation has been carried out and Hugh had received an e-mail stating that nothing untoward had been found in what had happened. Hugh is awaiting written confirmation. It was decided not to take any further action and new STA account should be opened in the near future.

9. Annual General Meeting:

• 6th May 2017 at Mayfield Centre at 10.00 for 10.30.

10.30	Opening remarks/welcome (Hugh)
10.35 - 11.05	Carol Hamilton, Stirling Council
11.05 - 11.35	John McMillan, Stirling Council
11.35 - 12.15	Anne Cook, Scottish Government
12.15 - 13.00	Lunch
13.00 - 13.45	Annual General Meeting

- Catering will be ordered (coffee, tea and pastries on arrival, pies, sausage rolls and sandwiches for lunch). Juice and bottled water will be available on tables.
- Michael and Philomena will deal with registration, Anna will prepare registration sheets.

10. Annual Report:

• Willie and Anna offered to help Hugh with his compilation of the Annual Report. They will meet with Hugh on 24th April at 10.30am.

11. TIS Session on Charter:

 Will be held in Raploch Community Campus on 17th May from 10.00am to 1.00pm. Moira and Anna have already confirmed their attendance. Willie would also like to go. Hugh will book places.

(At this point in the meeting Hugh received a text message from Gillian Findlay confirming acceptance of our budget application. Hugh will reply accepting this.)

12. Cowie Community Council:

• Willie gave Hugh a copy of the minutes of the last Cowie Community Council meeting and a copy of their newsletter.

13. Waterproof Jackets:

• During the visit to North Ayrshire Willie had suggested that the STA might purchase light waterproof jackets for STA members. A logo could be imprinted on the jackets and it would help identification when members are carrying out such projects as tenant led inspections. Willie had obtained a quote from LogoXpres Ltd of £13.38 per jackets. Purchase of the jackets was approved and sizes given to Willie to go ahead with organising the purchase.

14. Date of next meeting:

Annual Conference/Annual General Meeting 6th May 2017 at Mayfield Centre Next Meeting 16th May 2017 at Cowie Community Centre

Hugh closed the meeting.

Following the meeting Tony spoke on the need to get new members involved with the STA. Members were asked to give thought to this and come up with some ideas.