



**STIRLING TENANTS ASSEMBLY
MEETING HELD IN CRIANLARICH VILLAGE HALL
ON 21st JUNE 2016 AT 10.30am**

1. Present:

Hugh McClung, Philomena McClung, Michael Griffiths, Duncan Faichney, Alex Lamb, Dolly Gemmell, Anna Johnston, Moira Robertson, Thomas (Allan) Brown, Ian Anstruther, Kirsty Hill (TP Officer).

Apologies:

Kathy Brown, Cathy Traynor, Richard Waddell, Delia Waddell.

Hugh welcomed everyone to the meeting, particularly Ian who was attending his first STA meeting. For Ian's benefit everyone introduced themselves. At this point Hugh indicated that he had received a resignation from Meg de Amasi and it was agreed that Hugh should write to Meg thanking her for her input to the STA.

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 19th April 2016:

Acceptance of minutes was proposed by Philomena, seconded by Moira.

Minutes of the AGM (May 2016) and notes from the Repairs Group (May 2016) were circulated for information.

3. Business arising from Minutes:

- Invoice from Stirling Council for February meeting has now been settled.
- TPAS membership has been paid.
- International Union of Tenants Conference – information will be forwarded by TPAS direct to delegates.

4. Election of Office-Bearers:

Kirsty took the Chair for this part of the meeting.

Office	Nominated	Proposed by	Seconded by	Accepted/declined
Chair	Hugh McClung	Michael Griffiths	Allan Brown	Accepted by Hugh
Vice Chair	Moira Robertson	Philomena McClung	Anna Johnston	Accepted by Moira
Secretary	Philomena McClung	Michael Griffiths	Duncan Faichney	Accepted by Philomena
Treasurer	Dolly Gemmell	Moira Robertson	Anna Johnston	Accepted by Dolly
Minute Secretary	Anna Johnston	Michael Griffiths	Allan Brown	Accepted by Anna
Assistant Treasurer	Moira Robertson	Philomena McClung	Duncan Faichney	Accepted by Moira

Hugh thanked Kirsty for her assistance.

5. Report on the Website:

Kirsty demonstrated the features which will be available on the new website. It was agreed that a meeting will be held at the Mayfield Centre on 5th July at 10am to discuss this further. Hugh asked if all members will prepare a short (100-words) synopsis of who they are, why they joined the group, etc.

The setting-up of a Facebook page was agreed by a majority. This will be discussed further at the meeting on 5th July. In the meantime, Hugh and Kirsty will draft a policy for administering the page. Anna expressed thanks to Kirsty for the training which she had given to Hugh and Anna.

6. Finance Report:

Dolly reported that the Bank statement at end of April had indicated a balance of £16,810.51. Some cheques have still to come off and this will leave a balance of £15,522.96. Stirling Council grant instalment was received on 22nd April 2016.

7. Report on AGM (May 2016):

- Allan complimented the speaker from Dundee City Council on his presentation. He felt that perhaps Carol Hamilton could be asked to present something different next year.
- Dolly wondered if there was any way in which more tenants could be encouraged to attend. Hugh replied that posters and invitations had been distributed. Moira said that perhaps personal invitations were the way to go. In the past Emma had contacted the Tenants Panel members to see if they would be willing to be contacted by STA.
- Ian added that it must be recognised that Local Authorities are changing and the priorities of tenants are changing too.
- Philomena suggested contacting Allocations to see if some information about the STA (not necessarily just the AGM) could be put in the starter pack for tenants. It has already been discussed whether enquiries could be made to see if a tenant having a repair carried out would be willing to be contacted by someone from the STA.

8. Charter Review Report:

- Had been held on 15th June 2016 in Stirling. 27 people had attended and a good discussion had ensued. Hugh had presented a view from tenants, Gillian Findlay had presented a view from Stirling Council. What should be in the Charter in the future had been discussed.
- Hugh will prepare a response from the group. Other members who had attended will prepare their individual responses.

9. Diary and venues for future meetings:

19 th July 2016	Kippen
16 th August 2016	Travelling Persons Site
20 th September 2016	Victoria Hall, Dunblane
18 th October 2016	Mayfield Centre
15 th November 2016	Allan Centre, Bridge of Allan
20 th December 2016	Mayfield Centre
17 th January 2017	Mayfield Centre
21 st February 2017	Bannockburn
21 st March 2017	Cultenhove
18 th April 2017	Mayfield Centre

Philomena will make the necessary bookings.

10. Any other competent business:

- Robert Steenson had invited Hugh to discuss staff restructuring. Hugh had said that all he cared about was service provision to tenants. Hugh has heard that some members of staff are taking voluntary redundancy.

11. Date of next meeting:

Next meeting will be held on 19th July 2016 in Kippen. Moira submitted her apology for non-attendance at this meeting.

Hugh closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.