

FORFAR AND AREA PARTNERSHIP

NOTE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOLLOWED BY A GENERAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 8 APRIL 2008 AT 7.00PM IN FORFAR FIRE STATION

Present:

Mary Coyle	- Forfar Wheeled Sports Association
Siobhan Fagan	- Angus Community Planning Partnership
Jeanette Gaul	- Angus Public Partnership Group
Eric Gray	- Federation of Small Businesses
David Hay	- Forfar and Area Partnership
Gillian Kay	- Angus Council, Community Wardens
Julie-Anne Kinnear	- Angus Council, Community Learning and Development
Ron Manderson	- Forfar and Area Partnership
Alan McKeown	- Angus Council
Cllr Glennis Middleton	- Angus Council
Charlie Murray	- Strathmore Highland Games
Lyll Norrie	- Strathmore Vintage Vehicle Club Ltd
Lorraine O'Brien	- Glens United Action Group
Thomas O'Brien	- Glens United Action Group
Barbara Reid	- Angus Council, Housing Division
Lesley Simpson	- Volunteer Centre Angus
June Smith	- Padanaram and District Community Association
Freda Stewart	- Angus Community Health Partnership
Ken Stewart	- Forfar Business Initiative
Alex Webster	- Strathmore Highland Games

Apologies:

Cllr Colin Brown	- Angus Council
Wendy Craigie	- Tayside Police
Colin T Elder	- Independent
Charlie Foreman	- Forfar 4 U
Déirdre Mitchell	- Angus Council, Housing Division
George Shepherd	- Forfar Old Age Pensioners Association

AGM

1 Apologies

Apologies of absence were received as shown.

2 Chairperson's Report

Jeanette Gaul gave a report as follows:

"Seems strange I have only been in the chair for 2 months, however, a lot has taken place over these 2 months.

I would like to thank David Hay for undertaking the treasurer's duties so well over the past three years and for all his hard work applying for different grants for the different events we have undertaken.

I would like to thank the tourism sub group for a job well done on Sunday, each and everyone one of us took on different roles and worked together in partnership.

Thanks to Arlene and Margaret for running the raffle so well for us.

Thanks to Siobhan and Alan for delivering the letters to each Sheltered Housing unit for the concert.

Thanks to the rest of the group who have attended the meetings over the past two months and participated in these.

I hope this will continue for the coming year".

3 Treasurer's Report

David Hay gave his report to the group - see attached 'Treasurers Report for 2007/2008'.

4 Election of Office Bearers

The election results were as follows:

- Chair - Jeanette Gaul
- Vice Chair - Thomas O'Brien
- Treasurer - Eric Gray

AGM concluded.

GENERAL MEETING

1 Note of Meeting Held on 26 February 2008

Agreed.

2 Priorities Action Plan

Please see attached.

Please also find attached minute from Tourism Sub-Group meeting of 25 March 2008.

3 Any Other Business not on Action Plan

- Future meeting dates are to be decided.
- Freda Stewart advised that an NHS Tayside consultation event is to be held on 19 April 2008 from 10.00am - 2.30pm at Forfar Academy. The event will give everyone the opportunity to have their say and help shape local patient care for the 21st century. Freda agreed to give feedback from the event to the Partnership.
- Barbara Reid advised that Angus Council is holding a mini tenant conference on Saturday 19 April at the Guide Hall, Myre Car Park, Forfar at 10.00am. The conference has been organised for tenants to meet housing division staff to talk about housing issues and where they feel the council could make changes. Barbara agreed to give feedback from the event to the Partnership.

4 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place at 7.00pm on Tuesday 13 May 2008 in Forfar Fire Station.

**FORFAR AND AREA PARTNERSHIP
TREASURERS REPORT FOR 2007/2008**

**FORFAR AND AREA PARTNERSHIP
PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2008**

INCOME	£	EXPENDITURE	£
BANK BALANCE B/F	397.25	DONATIONS	
BANK INTEREST	12.76	ADVERTISING	
DONATIONS/SPONSORSHIP		STATIONERY	9.51
GRANT INCOME	666	CONCERT EXPENDITURE	506.92
CONCERT INCOME	293.33	BANK BALANCE @ 31.03.07	872.91
		Less Unpresented Chq	-20
	<u>1369.34</u>		<u>1369.34</u>

I have examined the books of Forfar and Area Partnership received from the Treasurer for the period ended 31 March 2008 and the accompanying Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 March 2008 is in agreement with the Treasurer's books.



ROBIN DANDIE C.A.

3 APRIL 2008

Forfar Area Partnership

Tourism Sub Group

Notes from Meeting 25th March 08

In attendance -

Jeanette Gaul (Chair)
David Hay
Ken Stewart
June Smith
Alex Webster
Lyll Norrie

Apologies -

Mervin Lynch
Tom O'Brien
Colin Elder

Tartan Week. 28th March to 6th April

(1) Children's Tartan Shop Window Competition.

Arrangements well in hand via Alex Mill / Ken Stewart.

Entry Forms printed by Astute at cost of £298 and have been delivered to Angus Council Education (Craig Smith) for distribution to all Forfar Area Primary Schools before Easter break. Previously cleared the Competition with Craig Clement. 1200 forms required for schools and 2000 printed. Prize vouchers sponsored by Astute to £40. The Toy Castle and Strachans holding surplus entry forms and Strachans will act as collection point for completed forms. 30 local shops involved.

Photo shoot undertaken at The Outdoor Store to publicise this and the Tartan Week events.

(2) Music at The Cross

Instrumental & Pipe Bands both booked. Instrumental Band now changing times after event advertised to 11.00 to 12.00 and will cover the readvertising themselves in the local paper.

(3) Tartan Concert.

Ticket sales now the key issue.

Round the table seems to have firm sales combined of 50 at present.

Tickets finally into selling agents in town.

Letters gone to Sheltered Homes and Nursing Homes although appears to be some duplication on who has spoken to the local Homes.

JG will email Alan McKeown for additional push on tickets with a view to getting individual letters to each resident of sheltered housing units via the Wardens.

Members agreed to look at softening the deals to organisations to get the event moving and increase awareness and attendance.

Posters all distributed. Odd additional to be taken out to Caravan Parks.

Raffle Prizes held or expected from:- W Hardies, Gammies, Colin M Smith, 2 from DH, Tesco, Co-op, David Irons, Charles Jarvis & Strathmore Springs.
Arlene and her group have offered to run this stall.

Refreshments (Soft Drinks and Crisps) overseen by KS by run by the local Guides / Kay Cuthill.

Help to set up the hall during the day available from DH, JG, KS, LN, AW & JS. Banners will be made up using tartans. June will resolve Floral displays during the afternoon.

Programme printing completed by Community Ed to good standard again. Copies shown to the meeting by June. These will be issued free of charge.

Programme of events after late changes will be –

Bill McDonald	Compere.
Glen Ross	Piper
Joe Aitken	Scottish Songs
Scott Carnegie	Accordionist
Liz Low	Dancers
Davina Farquharson	Songs of Scotland
Girl Guides	?
Bill Carr & Peter Dick	Songs of Scotland

Remember full list of Thank You letters will be required after the night.

Lighting & Sound by Christopher Hewitson of Drama Club.

Understand Piano will be required but test will not be required as covered fairly recently.

Risk Assessment done and submitted by JG.

Pat testing will be reviewed with Dancers perhaps having equipment to test and Accordionist probably the same and he has confirmed he will contact to clarify.

Funding.

Application for £500 Community Grant Scheme submitted and past first assessment and progressing forward.

Copy of printed items collected for onsending to Merlyn Dunn (JG to attend).

Other Items

(A) Marafun 25th May 08

Staffing to be resolved at next full FAP Group meeting. Arrangements in place otherwise.

(B)Gala Week

Discussed at next part of meeting

(C) Involvement of Academy.

Mr Lynch advised holidays precluded the Academy from involvement in Tartan week events.

(D) Future Meetings

6th May at 6.00 in Whitehills reverting to full Tourism Group.