

FORFAR AND AREA PARTNERSHIP

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY 09 MAY 2011 AT 6.45PM

IN EAST AND OLD PARISH CHURCH

Present:

Lee Haxton	- Local Community Planning Team	LH
Bob Kidd	- East & Old Parish Church	BK
Jeanette Gaul	- Angus Public Partnership Group	JG
Ella Merriman	- Forfar OAP Association	EM
Iain Robb	- Viewmount Voices	IR
Ron Manderson	- Forfar and Area Partnership	RM
David Hay	- Forfar and Area Partnership	DH
Brodie McCash	- Forfar Ambassador	BMc
Eilidh Collins	- Forfar Ambassador	EC
Sarah Crombie	- Victim Support Angus	SC
Helen Wallace	- Local Community Planning Team	HW
Isa Carnegie	- Forfar Disabled Club	IC
Thomas O'Brien	- Glens United Action Group	TB
Lorraine O'Brien	- Glens United Action Group	LB
Freda Stewart	- Angus Community Health Partnership	FS
Fiona McCash	- Forfar and Area Partnership	FMc
Melvyn Lynch	- Forfar Academy	ML
Ken Stewart	- Forfar Business Initiative	KS

Apologies:

None

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1 Welcome and Apologies

JG welcomed everyone to the 2011 Annual General Meeting

2 Minute of Previous AGM

The minute was accepted as a true record of the previous AGM.

3 Chairpersons Report

JG highlighted the many different projects that the Partnership had been involved in recent years, specifically the Gala Week which is now in its fourth year.

JG stated that she hoped that the Partnership would continue its involvement in a number of different projects, suggesting the Friday Night Project as a key focus for the future.

Finally, JG thanked everyone for their support over the previous three years and gave particular thanks to the two Forfar Ambassadors, who received small token of appreciation. JG also confirmed that the Ambassadors had agreed to remain as members of the Partnership.

4 Treasurers Report

JG reported that she had taken on these duties after Eric Gray had been forced to give them up due to personal circumstances.

JG reported that the books had been approved by Louise Peters of Johnson and Carmichael and that there were two particular items to note;

- 1) Of the remaining balance £1,000 is to go towards the Gala Week
- 2) The Food Fest donation came from a previous grant from Angus Council. Angus Council have agreed that the remaining grant money (£1,400) can be used by the Partnership, but must go towards food related projects.

5 Election of Office Bearers

5.1 Chairperson

LH reported that no nominations had been received, but that the Partnership Agreement allowed for verbal nominations to be put forward. One verbal nomination was declined and with no other nominations coming forward LH suggested that, if the Partnership agreed, JG should be allowed to chair the remainder of the meeting and that this matter would be concluded at the next meeting of the Partnership. There was a further suggestion that JG remain as chairperson and members approved this, on the basis that a Special General Meeting will need to be called to amend the Partnership agreement.

5.2 Vice Chairperson

Again LH reported that no nominations for this post had been received. JG proposed that one of the Ambassadors be asked to take on this role and after some discussion, FS proposed that the Ambassadors share the role, which was seconded by RM. This is to be confirmed at the next meeting of the Partnership.

5.3 Treasurer

JG nominated FMc, seconded by KS. FMc agreed to take on this role.

5.4 Secretary

The Partnership agreed that LH should retain this role.

GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARTNERSHIP

1 Note of Previous Meeting

With a couple of small changes, this was approved as a true record of the previous meeting.

2 Matters Arising

2.1 Christmas Lights

JG confirmed that elected members and those in attendance at a previous meeting had approved the use of Common Good money to cover costs of purchasing new lights.

2.2 Tartan Week

JG thanked all of those who had assisted with the events, particularly the Highland Dancing Festival. A grant of £337 from Angus Council covered some costs and the Partnership returned a profit of £400. Members agreed to use this money for Gala Week.

JG also reported that Liz Low had asked about repeating the event in 2012. Members approved this in principle.

2.3 Raymond Gerrard

JG confirmed that she had sent a note of thanks to Raymond for his participation in the

Partnership.

2.4 Viewmount Voices

IR reported that their Special Meeting was taking place on Tuesday 10 May and that steady progress was being made.

3 Priorities Action Plan

Updated as attached.

4 Any Other Business

4.1 Vote of Thanks

BK suggested a vote of thanks to JG for her work as chairperson, a view shared by all members of the Partnership.

5 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Forfar and Area Partnership will take place on Monday 6 June at 7pm in East & Old Parish Church.