

STRATHBUNGO SOCIETY

**Minutes of Committee Meeting
Monday 21st January 2013
Flat G/L, 33 Nithsdale Road, Strathbungo, Glasgow G41 2AL**

Present: Laura Moodie (Chairperson), Dee Miller, Brian Miller, Stephen Rees (Secretary), Chris Kuhn (Treasurer) and Amanda MacDonald.

1. Sederunt and Apologies

Nick Kempe

2. Minutes and Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as accurate.
No matters were arising

3. Finance

Finance Report

The balance on the account as of 28 December was £3467.74, This included a grant which had been received from Glasgow City Council which could not be accounted for. This matter was still being looked into.

OSCR

The outgoing treasurer of the Society confirmed that the Trustees Report and Annual Financial Statements had been lodged with OSCR in advance of the deadline of the 31 January 2013.

Easy Fundraising

It was noted that approximately £10 had been donated to the Strathbungo Society via the Easy Fundraising web site. A percentage of all purchases made via the website (which gives access to many other web sites) can be donated to the Strathbungo Society. An e-mail was sent to those on the Strathbungo mailing list advising them of Easy Fundraising and encouraging them to sign up.

4. Communications

Newsletter

The Editor of the Strathbungo newsletter advised the meeting that the deadline for receiving articles for the spring issue of the newsletter would be the 24 March. The possibility of using pay pal to generate invoices and receive payments from potential advertisers to the newsletter was discussed. It was agreed to keep things as they were at present. However, Dee Miller was asked to discuss with new advertisers to see if this was something they were interested in using.

Action – Dee Miller

Website

It was noted that activity on the web site remained constant with independent postings and discussions being undertaken on a regular basis. The Chair suggested that the web site required to be reviewed. It was agreed that the Chair share the work between individual committee members to assist in the review.

Action – Laura Moodie

Banner

The possibility of obtaining a free banner to promote the Brighter Bungo clean up from Vista Print was discussed. It was noted that designs for the free banner were restricted. It was agreed that the Society consider incorporating its own logo into the banner and that a larger banner be obtained than the free banner. A budget of £50 was agreed.

Action – Dee Miller

5. Upcoming Events

Bungo Art Competition

An update on the Bungo Art Competition was provided by Teresa Mooney. Work is well in hand for the art competition and downloadable entry forms and supporting information are to be placed on the BungoBlog. It was agreed that the theme of the competition be tweaked to People and Plants in Strathbungo to tie in with South Seeds and the year of Natural Scotland. Prizes will include art gallery tours with Avril Paton for older entrants and an art workshop downstairs at Tapa for younger entrants.

Action – Teresa Mooney/ Laura Moodie

Spring Fling

It was agreed that the annual Spring Fling be held in conjunction with South Seeds, a local organisation that encourages local food growth, energy and building efficiency. A local venue was being organised by South Seeds and was not yet confirmed. Various ideas were suggested for inclusion in the event by the Society. These included an information table, raffle, cake stall and whether our local animators would consider attending this year's event again.

Action – Laura Moodie

Brighter Bungo

It was noted that the recent Brighter Bungo clean up had attracted 15 volunteers and many new faces despite the cold weather. Laura Hudson MacKay had advised the Chair that she wished to stand down from coordinating the event and had asked if anyone from the Society wished to volunteer to take on the role. It was agreed that a message be placed on the BungoBlog requesting a volunteer for the role of Neighbourhood Improvement Volunteer.

Action – Laura Moodie

Review of volunteers for BITBL and other projects and decision on whether to go ahead

It was noted that the number of volunteers at the events undertaken by the Strathbungo Society were becoming too low to ensure that these events could be safely hosted. A call was to be made to the volunteers that we have to share out the tasks required to successfully host BITBL in 2013. A meeting will be held in the next couple of weeks with said volunteers which will be advertised on the BungoBlog. A decision would be taken at the next monthly meeting on whether to hold BITBL this year based on the number of volunteers that can be found.

Action – Laura Moodie

6. Planning

Cash Machine - Update

It was noted that the cash machine located in the window of SAS convenience store on the corner of Nithsdale Road/ Pollokshaws Road was to be removed as they had lost their planning appeal. A new planning application for a cash machine in the listed building is to be made. In the meantime the owner of the store has advised that a cash machine will be placed inside the store.

Marywood Square

It was noted that the online status of the Glasgow City Council planning web site had been changed and now indicated that a decision on the planning application for 23 Marywood Square was pending. The date of the next Planning Committee was not known. The Chair agreed to look into the matter further.

Action – Laura Moodie

Planning Policies – Looking at planning issues in Strathbungo

The Chair indicated the work undertaken by Friends of Glasgow West in terms of informing the public on how the planning process worked. A link to the web site of the Friends of

Glasgow West was to be put on the Bungo Blog as many of the issues that they experienced were common to those encountered by the Strathbungo Society.

Action – Laura Moodie

Planning Applications

None were presented.

7. Any Other Business

Civic Society Assessment

The Chair advised the monthly meeting of a tool released by the Civic Society to assist community organisations to assess their organisations. The Chair indicated that she would circulate the self assessment tool to all committee members to read. Further discussion on the tool would be held at the next monthly meeting.

Scottish Civic Trust

The Chair received approval to make a donation of £30.00 to the Scottish Civic Trust of which the Strathbungo Society was an affiliate member. A link to the Scottish Civic Trust was to be put on the BungoBlog.

Action – Laura Moodie

The next meeting of the Strathbungo Society will be on Monday the 18th February 2013 at 7.30pm at a venue to be confirmed.