

STRATHBUNGO SOCIETY

Minutes of Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 11th October 2011
Queens Park Parish Church Hall, Queens Drive

Present: **Office Bearers**
Chairman: James Limb
Vice Chair: Laura Moodie
Secretary: Amanda McDonald
Treasurer: Lynne Flower

Local Councillors

Irfan Rabbani (Pollokshields, Labour)

The attendance was 48 people, including those above. However the majority of those present only attended the presentation by Glasgow City Council re the Ground Consolidation Works in Strathbungo.

1. **Sederunt and Apologies**

The Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.
There were no apologies for absence.

2. **Ground Consolidation Works in Strathbungo**

Due to the recent announcement of ground consolidation works to be undertaken in Strathbungo, Donald Lynn and Brian Parr of Glasgow City Council had been invited to discuss the proposed works with residents of Strathbungo at the Strathbungo Society's AGM.

Details of the proposed works and why they were required, start and completion dates, costs to individual households, potential financial assistance, bin collection and deliveries during the works were outlined to all present. Donald Linn and Brian Parr indicated that they were happy to take calls and e-mails re any further concerns that residents might have.

2. **Chair's Report**

The Chairman reviewed the Society's proceedings for the year 2010 – 2011. The various events and activities were referred back to the main objectives of the Society, in short in the promotion of citizenship, and the protection of the conservation area. The following areas were highlighted:

Events:	Bungo at the Bells Spring Fling and Art Competition Bungo in the Back Lanes Bungo Fest
Initiatives:	ENTRUST money transfer to Queens Park Arena Revamped website
Communication:	Website Newsletters Blog
Planning	Local applications and Society's responses

3. **Financial report**

The Treasurer outlined the independently audited accounts for the year 2010 –11. The full accounts are detailed in the Annual report, which will be available on the society website. At 30th April 2011, the Society held unrestricted funds of £1,744, a surplus of £778 over the previous year. The

Chairman was authorised to sign the Trustees Annual Report and the Treasurer was requested to lodge them with OSCR. Allan Hunter was thanked for auditing the Trustees' Annual Report.

4. Election of Office Bearers

The Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary had all indicated that they would not stand for re-election. Two names were proposed for the roles of Chairperson and Secretary. These were duly nominated and approved. The Office Bearers of the Strathbungo Society for the year 2011- 12 will be:

Chairperson:	Laura Moodie
Vice Chair:	No Volunteer/ Vacant
Secretary:	Stephen Rees
Treasurer:	No Volunteer/ Vacant (However, subsequent to the meeting Amanda McDonald volunteered to undertake the role)

5. New Chairperson

The New Chairperson thanked all those who had supported the society during the last year, specifically James Lamb, Amanda McDonald and Lynne Flower for their work as Strathbungo Society Office Bearers. Teresa Mooney for her roles in the Spring Fling, Art Competition and Bungo at the Bells; Joanna Murphy for her role in organising Bungo in the Back Lanes; Jonathon Patrick and Matt Moodie for the website, Niall Walker for organising the Bungo Fest and finally the Friends of the Society for financial support, and members of the Pollokshields Area Committee for support in projects during the last year.

The Chairperson outlined her plans for the coming year and of the need for new volunteers to assist in the running of the events that are organised by the society.

a. The Newsletter

The Chairperson requested that due to her new commitment, new editors were required for the Strathbungo newsletter. Dee Miller and Catriona Watt agreed to take on this role. The Chairperson advised that the production of the newsletter represented the biggest cost to the society. The continued cost of its production and the resources required to distribute the newsletter were considered. Following discussion it was agreed that its production and distribution be continued. However, consideration should be given to reducing printing costs by using non glossy paper etc.

b. The Bungoblog

The Bungoblog was noted as receiving in excess of 400 hits per day and had been a great success in communicating with the Strathbungo community. A request was made to all present to contribute to the blog and to bring their own particular interests to it e.g. genealogy, children's events etc.

c. Equipment Storage

The Chairperson raised concerns re the storage of equipment owned by the Society. Andrew Downie and Andrew Greg agreed that they had some spare space and agreed to the Society keeping its equipment at their homes. The Society agreed that its members would collect all the equipment from its various storage locations and deposit them at the storage venues volunteered.

d. Back Lanes Improvements

As a result of the ground consolidation works in Strathbungo the opportunity had arisen to get the back lanes between Marywood Square and Regent Square resurfaced with tarmac. A request was made to Councillor Irfan Rabbani that consideration be given to tarmacing all 4 back lanes. Councillor Irfan Rabbani advised that this would be dependent upon costs and that discussions were currently ongoing. He agreed to keep the Society informed via Scott Mackay. Stephen Lamb agreed to liaise with Scott Mackay and update the Society with regards to this matter. It was approved that the Society continues to work with Glasgow City Council to get the back lanes tarmaced.

e. Refuse and Recycling

The proposed speaker from Land and Environmental Services (LES) of Glasgow City Council was unable to attend to discuss ongoing concerns and issues re the uplift of refuse and materials for recycling. LES had advised that they were aware of some of the problems being encountered such as bins being dumped at the end of the back lanes and collection dates not being met. Councillor Irfan Rabbani apologised for the problems experienced and advised that some problems had been due to residents' unmarked bins and insufficient space for vehicle turning at back lane entrances. Councillor Irfan Rabbani agreed to look into the reinstatement of the yellow lines at the entrances.

6. Any Other Business

The next meeting of the Society will be on the 21st November 2011 at 7.30pm at Grianach on Nithsdale Road. This meeting was subsequently amended to Torrisdale Street and kindly hosted by Deidre & Brian Miller at their home due to the closure of Grianach.