

# THE STRATHBUNGO SOCIETY

# Minutes of Committee Meeting Tuesday 20 September 2016 The Den, The Bungo, Nithsdale Road

**Present**: Alison Hunter (Vice Chair), Nick Kempe (Treasurer), Carol Dobson (Secretary), Heather Alexander, Imelda Devlin, Alan Dobson, Andrew Downie, Ann Downie, Loraine Forde, Rosie Ilett, Scott Obrzud, James Powsey, Sharon Schweps

Apologies: Kevin Kane, Jane Carolan, Phil Harvey

#### 1. Welcome and introductions

In the absence of the Chair, the meeting was chaired by V/C Alison Hunter. Alison welcomed all members and noted apologies as listed above.

## 2. Minutes and matters arising

The Minutes of the meeting of 16 August 2016 were approved.

Bungo in the Back Lanes – event book

Alison Hunter updated the meeting on progress so far.

#### **ACTIONS:**

Alison will contact Holly Russell to check progress with event planning timeline and email Stephen Rees and Allison Hussein to ensure all essential planning information has been handed over.

Scott will contact Stephen Rees re licensing procedures and agreed to take the lead on licensing matters .

James Powsey agreed to lead on entertainment.

Loraine Forde agreed to lead on co-ordinating production of events book.

It was agreed that it would be useful to have a session to discuss the future direction of the event including the balance of commercial activity vs community involvement.

Nick Kempe outlined the potential for involving local arts organisations in BiTBL and as an example, Ann Downie referred to the success of the 'Get off your Arts' event.

### 3. Finance

Nick Kempe reported that the Society accounts were ready to go to the auditor. Nick will seek and co-ordinate suggestions on how best to use Society funds in the next financial year (2017-18).

#### 4. Network Rail

Andrew Downie and Heather Alexander provided an update on the meeting held on 16 September at City Chambers, attended by Councillors, political representatives, Network Rail managers and Society representatives (Kevin Kane, Heather Alexander, Andrew Downie, Fiona MacKinnon). Society representatives had reiterated the need for community engagement and the necessity of talking to title holders along Moray Place.

Society reps offered to host a community pop- in event to facilitate such engagement. It was agreed to use the AGM as a forum for further discussion.

NR want to start work in February, before the nesting season and although the line of any fencing is still contentious, wish to erect one style of fence along the length of Moray Place. The next step will be to hold a site meeting (date to be arranged) to 'draw the proposed line', attended by representatives of the Society, NR and elected representatives.

Nick raised the possibility of engaging the services of a landscape artist to develop visual images of landscaping options.

ACTION: Andrew Downie will write an illustrated article for the Strathbungo News.

## 5. AGM planning

It was agreed to hold the AGM on Tuesday 25 October 2016. Notification will be made via the Strathbungo News and the Society Facebook page. Loraine Forde and Heather Alexander both volunteered to record minutes at AGM.

The AGM agenda will include:

- The Trustees' Report (for year ending 30<sup>th</sup> April 2016)
- Election of Officers (nominations are sought for Secretary and Vice Chair)
- Election of Committee Members
- Network Rail update
- Presentation: Jude Barber has agreed to give a visual presentation on the Charrette community planning activity carried out earlier in the year.

## **ACTIONS:**

Nick Kempe will produce draft Trustees' Report and circulate to committee members.

Alison Hunter will investigate availability of Hall on Queen's Drive (post meeting note: Queen's Park Church of Scotland Hall booked from 7-9.30pm)

The Chair will formally invite local Councillors

The Secretary will ask all Committee members if they wish to continue.

# 6. Brief updates

Communications Review

Rosie llett reported that she and Phil Harvey are managing administration of the new Facebook page which has circa 800 users. Phil has offered to update the society website.

Strathbungo News

Sharon Schweps reported that the next edition is in production and due to printers this week. It will include items on Network Rail, the AGM, 'Then and Now', a feature on the 'Sweet Ladies of Regent Park Square' and other 'well known locals ' and a recap of BitBL.

# Brighter Bungo

Alan Dobson informed members that the next Community Clear up event will be held on Sunday 25 September from 11am -1pm. Posters will be displayed and a reminder email circulated to the wider membership.

# Bungo at the Bells

Members noted that confirmation of a venue was still needed and a corner site was preferred. (**post meeting note**: Teresa has generously agreed that her place can be used for this year's event).

Date and time of next Committee meeting:

Tuesday 18 October 2016, 7.30pm, The Bungo, Nithsdale Road