

Minutes of the Strathbungo Society

Tuesday, 16 March 2021

Attending: Jane Carolan, Chair; Paola Rezzilli, Vice Chair; Steven Good, Treasurer; Sharon Schweps, Secretary. Imelda Devlin, Andrew Downie, Ann Downie, Nick Kempe, Fiona Mackinnon, Joanna Murphy, Sarah Reid, James Spooner, Harriet Steymor.

Apologies: Heather Alexander

Item	Action
1. Minutes of 16 February 2021 meeting. Approved.	
2. Treasurer's Report. 2.1 Steve presented a statement of receipts & payments to 26 February. With only virtual events, we've had virtually no income and virtually no costs aside from the newsletters and have thus arrived with a surplus of £37.89 for this pandemic year to date. Total cash balance is £5,973.18. 2.2 GCC grant applications. We have been advised to apply as normal for a BiBL grant (by 13 April) and, if necessary, repurpose for a virtual event or return the funding. Agreed to do this and to apply in the same spirit in a later funding period (3 August or 2 November) for a Window Wanderland grant.	SG / SR
3. Network Rail electrification. 3.1 Communication. Jane's comprehensive email to NR was acknowledged, but not yet answered. Are we simply part of their PR offensive, offering us consultation but communicating only faits accomplis? To get them to engage with us, agreed to ask Nicola Sturgeon to host a Zoom meeting with NR about what will replace Susie's, etc. 3.2 Blog request for help elicited four offers from local professionals. Jane thanked them and said we will be in touch. 3.3 Fiona will look out for communities along the line with similar problems, perhaps even in Edinburgh, and seek alliances.	JC FM
4. Active Travel path from Moray Place to Titwood Road. Cllr Jon Molyneux forwarded a dismissive response re our proposal. He will pursue our points again with the appropriate authorities and liaise with Andrew. Ownership of the lane at Carswell Gdns side is ambiguous, but further exploration of the options will take place.	AndD
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<p>5. Upcoming events</p> <p>5.1 BiBL cannot go ahead in June as a physical event, but the virtual model exists so it would be relatively easy to stage. Discussed scheduling it later in the summer/autumn as a truncated affair or rebranding it as a new event to reclaim the lanes. Paola will form a small group to consider possibilities and report back.</p> <p>5.2 50 th celebration / AGM / Doors Open Day – discuss at later date.</p> <p>5.3 Window Wanderland – Sarah to liaise with Steve to apply for GCC grant in Later funding round (see 2.2).</p>	<p>PR</p> <p>SR</p>
<p>6. Strathbungo News. Congratulations to James and the team for an excellent issue. prJames and Katherine will be stepping down as co-ordinator and designer respectively after this issue. Jane will write to Gerry and Vivien re their availability for future editions</p>	<p>JC</p>
<p>7. AOCB</p> <p>7.1 Telephone box in Nithsdale Road IS up for adoption. Is this at risk? Ask Kevin Kane to chase it up with BT.</p> <p>7.2 Mural on gable end at Pollokshaws and Nithsdale roads. Interest from a person on Strathbungo & Shawlands Community Facebook Group. This proved prohibitive financially when we approached the factor a few years ago. Advice to be provided if any further approaches</p>	<p>KK</p>
<p>8. Date of next meeting: Tuesday, 20 April 2021 at 7pm.</p>	