

Directors Present	Nic Smith, Lavinia McLean Bristol, Carol Flett, Margaret Wheeler James, John Fraser, Arlene Casey
Staff Present	George McConachie, Jane Metcalfe, Caroline Sharp
Members Present	13
Members of the public	5

1 Lavinia welcomed everyone to Development Coll's 8<sup>th</sup> AGM.

Appologies from Fiona Carnie.

**2 Reading of notice of meeting**

3 Lavinia read the minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> AGM and the members agreed the minutes were a true and accurate record. Lavinia then reminded everyone that only full members are eligible to vote.

4 Lavinia read a statement from the auditor's report and reported that we have had a clear auditors report on the account.

5 Lavinia gave a brief report on the Mobile Phone Mast. The Vodafone engineer reported today that the link is now up and Mono are in next week to finish the job.

George gave a report on affordable housing which was the top priority for DC in 2010. The housing group was set up in 2013 this is open to anyone. Originally led by Seonaid and now led by Arlene. We now have some funding from Robertson Trusts for staff time to progress this. Have started seeking suitable land and now have 5 complete offers of land. Also in negotiation with Acha who have the expertise to run the project. Most recently have had a couple of open evenings and the Housing Needs Survey has been completed. Next steps are to look at results of Housing Needs Survey. Need to look at land that is available and do a feasibility study on the two or three best sites. Also need to liaise with the community as to what they think.

Lavinia reminded those present of the remit of Development Coll.

George gave a report on An Cridhe and Bunk House. The revenue funding from the Lottery ended in January 2014. A deficit budget of £12K was planned for this financial year due to a reserve from previous years but this is now expected to be £5K. There has been a reduction in staffing costs and income is expected to increase. George thanked staff, directors, Management Committee and public for making this happen. A wide range of activities are happening at An Cridhe, basking sharks, bird festival and tunnel trust, benefitting other accommodation and catering facilities in addition to the bunk house. Also touring network, comedy events and an artist in residence (hope to have another artist in residence this year). We have two new members of staff and restructuring has allowed for the reduction of

management time and increase in operations time. Nic added that additional members to the Management Committee would be welcomed.

- 6 Accounts to April 2014 have been agreed and are on the website.
- 7 Re-appointment of directors co-opted by the board from the membership since the last AGM
  - a.) Margaret Wheeler James (a member co-opted as a director on 8th October 2014) who ceases to hold office and, being eligible offered herself for re-election. Proposed by Nic Smith, seconded by Lavinia, voted for by members.
  - b.) Carol Flett (a member co-opted as a director on 5th November 2014) who ceases to hold office and, being eligible offered herself for re-election. Proposed by John Fraser, seconded by Arlene Casey, voted for by members. c.)
  - c.) Arlene Casey (a member co-opted as a director on 5th November 2014) who ceases to hold office and, being eligible offered herself for re-election. Proposed by Lavinia McLean Bristol, seconded by Nic Smith, voted for by the members.
- 8 Re-appointment of directors retiring by rotation: Nic Smith (elected by 7th AGM, February 2014) who, being eligible, offered herself for re-election. Proposed by Seonaid McLean Bristol, seconded by John Wheeler James, voted for by the members.
- 9 RA Clements were re-appointed as auditors. Proposed by Lavinia McLean Bristol, seconded by Nic Smith.
- 10 AOCB. George reported that we are losing a member of staff. Fra is leaving in mid March. Her hard work, dedication in a range of roles will be missed....round of applause.
- 11 Lavinia closed the meeting at 2040.

The directors then appointed the office bearers.

Lavinia was made chair.

Nic was made treasurer

Carol was made Secretary

The directors co-opted Juliet onto the board.