

Beach Wheelchairs

Minutes of the Meeting 31st October 2016



Present

Robin Black (Chair) RB, Alison Brown (Secretary) AB, Len Groom LG, Bryony Capaldi BC, Melanie Kay MK, Debbie Gibb DG (dressed as a witch!).

Apologies

Rosie Hamilton and Lois MacLean and Phyllis Conway.

Minutes of last Meeting

Proposed by DG and Seconded by BC

Matters Arising

Volunteer Get Together decided for 18th November from 7.30 at the Hope Rooms. DG to bring New Age Kurling equipment, RB will bring wine, BC to book Hope Rooms and let rest of volunteers now and all to bring supper things.

Action All

BC continues to speak to Zoe at Madsurf about personalised t-shirts and charitable donations.

Action BC

AB advised on successful meeting with the Scottish Seabird Centre with regards to marketing opportunities. AB to investigate inclusion in spring issues of the Toun Cryer and Local Matters.

Action AB

		ACTION
1	Harbour Trust RB and AB had a formal meeting with Jane McMinn and Bill Roberts from the Harbour Trust. This was a successful meeting. The Harbour Trust has agreed that the Beach Hut can remain in its current position within the harbour and that they will consider the Beach Hut and Beach Wheelchairs as part of the overall development plans for the Harbour. There is no further action at this time.	
2	New Treasurer RB met with Karen Sinclair and she is willing to take on the role of Treasurer going forward. She is currently shadowing Robin and being brought up to speed with aim of joining the Board at the AGM.	
3	AGM and Annual Report The AGM will take place on the 1 st December at North Berwick Community Centre. AB had made posters which MK will put up in the Community Centre, the library, the leisure centre, the Beach Hut and in Tesco. AB will contact the East Lothian Courier about advertising the AGM in their events listing. AB has already created an event on Facebook. MK and BC agreed arrange catering. RB will pull together financial information for the Annual Report and AB to draft the other text. AB and RB to meet to work on an initial draft of this document.	MK AB MK& BC AB& RB

4	<p>Slipways</p> <p>The Board still want to take forward improvements to the slipways to improve access to the beaches with the beach wheelchairs. RB to attend the meeting on evening of 31st October to discuss the West Beach slipway.</p> <p>RB to contact Sandy Ford about the East Beach slipway.</p> <p>AB to email Sandra King to clarify the position of ownership of the ramps and to clarify whether Area Partnership monies can be used for this purpose.</p>	<p>RB</p> <p>RB</p> <p>AB</p>
5	<p>Oldhamstocks Coffee Morning</p> <p>MK and or BC will attend the coffee morning on the 12th November representing Beach Wheelchairs, to explain the project and to thank them for their kind donation. To liaise with RB for details.</p>	<p>MK& BC</p>
6	<p>Additional Item – Portobello Beach Wheelchairs</p> <p>AB reported back on a meeting with two of the group from Portobello Beach Wheelchairs. The Board agreed that this group can be part of Beach Wheelchairs going forward. The Board would be delighted to support another community to provide a beach wheelchair hire scheme. This is in line with our purpose. AB has previously received clarification from OSCR that this is appropriate. The Board also discussed ways in which this arrangement could be mutually beneficial.</p> <p>AB to take this forward. The next step is to arrange a meeting with the Portobello group and STRIVE to look at governance arrangements between the two groups with the aim of developing a Memorandum of Understanding. The Board agreed that AB is a suitable liaison to sit on Portobello group meetings.</p> <p>AB to invite the Portobello group to the upcoming AGM and Volunteer get together.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>AB</p>
9	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>AGM on Thursday 1st December from 7.30 at North Berwick Community Centre</p>	

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____