

**Scone Remembers** 



A Community led Initiative

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**MINUTES** of the **FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of **SCONE REMEMBERS** held on Thursday 19 July 2018 at Scone New Church Meeting Room at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Pete Olsen, in the Chair

Gena Brown Enid Davidson Brian Farey Helen Flatley Marion Jamieson Jan MacDuff

John MacDuff Robert Macduff-Duncan Noel McKinnie Dawn Olsen Lewis Simpson George Thomson

#### 1 Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to our Fourth Annual General Meeting.

## 2 Apologies for Absence

Evelyn Curtis, Keith Dale , Anne Dykes, David Dykes, Isobel McKenzie, Provost Melloy had all sent apologies.

### **3** Appointments and Resignations

Pete reported that Jan and John MacDuff had moved out of the area and were standing down as Trustees. He thanked them for all their hard work over the last few years and said we would be sad to see them go. He then said that we have four Trustees remaining which is the minimum we can have. He asked if anyone present were willing to become a Trustee but no one volunteered.

### 4 Minutes of the last meeting

Jan proposed and Marion seconded that the minutes of the AGM held on 5 June 2017 be accepted as a true record. Motion carried.

### **5 Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising that were not being dealt with elsewhere on the agenda.

### 6 Treasurer's Report

Copies of the Accounts were circulated to members present. The Chairman expanded on those. Although the balance in April was £7,904 there had been a number of outgoings since then so that the total in the bank was now £5,400. This will cover the cost of the Armistice celebration in November and any ongoing maintenance of the plaques. The website is covered for the next five years. Pete said he would look into public liability insurance which should hopefully reduce. Donations through MyDonate on the website totalled £900. A grant for £7,300 had been received from the Heritage Lottery for the publication of the book, Perth & Kinross Council granted £1,000 to have the maps of the Memorial Walk printed.

We raised more over this year than last with the popup charity shop being very successful. It had been a lot of hard work but was felt to be very worthwhile. Expenses for fundraising were £1,000 less than last year with a surplus of £1,325 recorded. On advice the Chairman said he had gone to an accountant as we had received a tax bill. Although no tax was paid the form still had to be completed. As usual OSCR had also received a copy of the accounts.

# 7 Matters arising from Treasurer's Report

Mr Thomson asked about interest on accounts but the Chairman said that no interest accrues on a Treasurer's Account. Interest is so low at the moment anyway there would be very little in an account.

## 8 Chairman's Report

Copies of the Chairman's Report were distributed to those present. Pertinent to the Report were the decisions taken about the Memorial Walk. Plaques have been placed around Scone, on lampposts or on metal stakes in the ground. Some of the plaques have faded slightly and resin from the trees has dropped on to those in the park placed under the trees; these can be cleaned. Scone Palace has its own Memorial Walk, the plaques there have gull droppings. This is normal given the plaques are out in the open.

## 9 Open Forum

There were suggestions to place crosses on all of the plaques including those in Scone Palace on Armistice Day. Jan and John offered to help Pete put this together. Mr Thomson said he would be willing to put two crosses by the plaques on Mayfield Road. The Church has something different organised for Armistice Day, including displaying our banner and having a piper.

100 copies of the book have been sold, 150 left. Copies are available in the Spar, the sweetie shop, Scone Palace and Balhousie. The walk is on the Tourist Association's website. Mr McKinnon suggested placing an article in The Scots magazine which has a very wide coverage.

Mrs Olsen explained about the official opening of the walk followed by a celebration of the Armistice on 17 November. She hoped that a 99 year old resident would cut the ribbon to mark the opening. Everyone present at the AGM will receive an invitation which will go to all of those who have supported us and contributed in some way to Scone Remembers over the years. Entry will be by invitation only. Kinnears will be doing stovies – bubble and squeak for vegetarians - at £2.50 per head along with trifles and biscuits etc. There will be wine to toast Queen and Country which Capt Baxter will do. Highland Spring is donating glass water bottles. The Institute Committee are waiving the fee for the hall and the Barber Shop Singers will entertain us at no cost. Hopefully a local minister will be available to say grace. The idea is to enjoy it and not feel that we're working at a fundraiser. There will be a collection pot on each table the contents of which will be sent to SAAFA.

The Chairman paid tribute to the Events Team who had worked hard over the years to raise funds for the walk.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.05pm