

# Friends of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

17<sup>th</sup> June 2016, 7:30 pm at the Croquet Club, Leven Terrace

### MINUTES

1. **The AGM opened with a one-minute silence for Jo Cox MP (a colleague of Ian Murray).**
2. **The Convener** welcomed everybody. All present were reminded that voting is to be carried out by the members of FOMBL SCIO only, although interested parties were very welcome to participate in the talk and discussion given after the AGM by Ian Murray MP. Thirty-six members signed the attendance book, and apologies were received from fourteen members.
3. **Minutes of the last AGM (26<sup>th</sup> of June 2015)**  
Although FOMBL were not a charity last year, the minutes of last AGM were proposed and accepted as a true record of the proceedings.
4. **Presentation of the Annual Report and Accounts**  
The Annual Report was duly presented, with copies available to all members. It was accepted.  
The accounts were presented but not accepted, as there was a discrepancy between the 2015 bank balance and the 2016 accounts. See attached accounts and the figures highlighted in yellow. It seems we are £45 more in credit when quoting 2015 Bank Balance in 2016 accounts. The Convener agreed to investigate and inform members accordingly.
5. **Election of the Trustee Committee (officers):** Heather Goodare stood aside and Cllr Melanie Main took the chair for Heather's re-election as Convener. The members proposed, seconded, and elected to the trustee committee and voted in unanimously were:
  - Heather Goodare – Chair of the Trustee Committee (Convener)
  - Alec Mann (Membership Secretary)
  - Andy Devenport

Neil Roger  
Linda Hendry  
Peter Upton  
Robin Morris (Treasurer)  
Sarah Tolley (Secretary)  
Fernando Andrade Miranda  
Tammy Rudduck (Volunteer Co-ordinator)  
Joe Boyle (Volunteer Co-ordinator)

Nina Fedenczuk has resigned from the committee, but volunteered to serve on a funding sub-committee.

6. **Ian Murray MP** then gave an interesting talk about general matters to do with 'green' issues affecting the Meadows, and answered questions from members. It was a privilege that Ian found the time to fit in a visit to FOMBL, since he is now much in demand as a public speaker, being the only Labour MP in the whole of Scotland.
7. **Graeme Cruickshank** followed this with a short illustrated talk about the naming of paths on the Meadows and Links. Many paths are still without names, and Graeme has been researching the possibility of giving some of them names. There was support for naming two paths at the east end of the Meadows as Archers Walk and William Burnes Walk (after Robert Burns' father, who contributed to draining the original Borough Loch and landscaping the result). It was agreed that further work needed to be done on this project.
8. The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.
9. Please see separate sheet for the Annual Accounts, on which a discrepancy has been highlighted.

## Friends of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links

### Accounts for year from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 to March 2016

<b>Income</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Subscriptions	440:00	321:55
Edinburgh Student Members	530:00	-
Donations/Tollcross CC	-	60:00
Edinburgh Council Donation	3326:00	-
Sale of Scotmid vouchers	-	166:00
Other Donations/& From Refreshments	119:97	80:88
	<b>4415:97</b>	<b>628:43</b>

#### Outgoings

Hire of Halls	65:00	55:00
Refreshment Costs	67:79	50:17
Printing/Photocopying	736:04	55:33
Publicity Leaflets/Posters/Newsletters	68:58	74:20
Stationary/Postage/cartridge	63:39	64:31
Notice Board 25% Deposit	607:50	-
Key Cutting	23:80	-
Waistcoats	148:03	-
Glasses	15:98	-
Flowers for mural launch	40:00	
Mural: Printing of: panels/information boards	-	1185:00
Cotoneasters	-	107:89
Art Work	-	3000:00
	<b>1798:11</b>	<b>4631:90</b>

<b>(Surplus)/Deficit for year</b>	<b>(2617:86)</b>	<b>4003:47</b>
-----------------------------------	------------------	----------------

#### **Reconciliation**

Bank balance at 31March 2015	£2576:97	£6535:00
(Surplus)/Deficit for year	(£2617.86)	£4003:47

<b>Bank balance at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016</b>	<b>£5194:83</b>	<b>£2531:53</b>
---	-----------------	-----------------