

**CELLARDYKE TRUST TRUSTEES MEETING
MINUTES**

Trustees meeting 21st July 2022 at 7pm.

Held at 14 Shore Street, Cellardyke

1. Present: Nette Carder (minutes), Richard Wemyss (Chair), Bill Bruce, Jessie Barnett

Apologies for Absence were received from: Peter Shepherd, Elizabeth Dickson.

On behalf of the Trustees, Richard Wemyss welcomed Bill Bruce to his first meeting as a Trustee of the Cellardyke Trust.

Cellardyke Phone Box

Fiona Mitchell was in attendance to talk about the Cellardyke phone boxes which was put as the first item on the agenda.

Fiona told the Trustees that there had been some teething problems with the automata, compounded by the illness of David Behrens, the artist. The automata itself is a prototype and needs maintenance and occasional repairs - and it may not be that the telephone box is ideal as a permanent home. Where would be a suitable place for it to be seen and appreciated needs further thought.

In the interim, to allow the phone box to be used for other artists, Nette agreed to store the automata.

£2,000 had been obtained from Fife Council for refurbishment and there may still be some remaining funds which could be used for the phone box and the area around it - perhaps a community noticeboard or some sort of book exchange? It had also worked well for launches and the phone box was a good venue for local artists.

The project team would need to think about fundraising for the telephone boxes too.

Richard mentioned that he had provisionally booked Cellardyke Town Hall for Saturday 29th October for a fundraising event which could cover the Manx Beauty, the phone boxes, a launch event for the phone boxes, a ceilidh, etc.

The Trustees thanked Fiona and Julia for their achievements with the - now beautifully restored - phone box and their work on this project. Very well done and very much appreciated.

Fiona then left the meeting and the previous circulated agenda was then followed.

2. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 2nd March 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

3. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Richard noted that Diana Sykes had agreed to continue her involvement now that she was retired in the Memorial Bench Project, which had been proposed by the Cellardyke Trust and had been allocated £15,000 from the Silverdykes Liaison Committee funding (N.B these funds are retained and managed by Fife Council).

4. **Trustees**

Richard re-iterated his welcome to Bill Bruce and noted that Trustees had an overarching role in steering the organisation, although Trustees were on certain project groups also.

He proposed that one of the young people from the Sea Queen festival each year should also be co-opted onto the Trustees of the Cellardyke Trust. All agreed that to this proposal. This would go back to the Sea Queen working group who would decide if it should be the Sea Queen Elect, serving Sea Queen or ex Sea Queen.

Richard confirmed that our Constitution allows for up to 12 trustees, but that the optimum number is probably around eight.

5. 19th May AGM draft minutes - the minutes were noted and will be formally ratified at the AGM in 2023

6. **Cellardyke Trust Trustees Annual Report** - this was approved by the Trustees. The Trustees also noted that the Treasurer had confirmed that Fife Voluntary Action, who reviewed the accounts, and had confirmed that they were happy with them, subject to a couple of minor typographical errors. These had been corrected and once FVA gave final approval, the Trust Annual Report and Accounts would be submitted to OSCR. They would also be put on the Cellardyke Trust website.

7. **Update from Treasurer.** The Treasurer had circulated a financial update which was noted by the Committee. At the end of June 2022, the Trust had £8,450.91 in its accounts. The majority of these funds were for the Manx Beauty.

Nette agreed to talk to the Treasurer to see if it was possible that the reporting could be reformatted, so that the Committee could see at a glance what had been spent and what funds remained allocated/ reserved to each project.

Action : Nette/Peter

8. **Update on Membership**

The Treasurer confirmed that there were 9 members of the Cellardyke Trust in his update. Since then, Bill Bruce had paid his Membership Fee to Nette before the meeting and this would make a total of 10 members. (Post meeting note - Elizabeth Dickson had confirmed to Nette that she had also paid her Membership subscription, so Membership totalled 11 members).

9. **Health and Safety / Risk Assessments** - no matters to report at this meeting.

10. Update on Projects:

Telephone Boxes - update provided at the beginning of the meeting

Manx Beauty

Richard Wemyss had been to Portsoy to promote the Manx Beauty and was going to the Isle of Man at the end of July. Richard requested that it was minuted that that the expenses for these trips were borne personally by him and not by the Cellardyke Trust or the Manx Beauty funds.

The costs of the restoration had been scoped and it was clear that we would need to go for the National Lottery Grants for Heritage - £250,000 to £5million - category. This was a significant amount of money and a lot of work would be required - not only to submit a bid, but to manage the project and meet the requirements of the National Lottery as a funding body. Further scoping work was taking place on 23rd July and a lot of work would be required before a good bid could be submitted.

Getting a National Lottery Grant for Heritage would mean a step-change for the Cellardyke Trust organisationally - and we would need to think about and plan for this.

Sea Queen Festival

Jessie Barnett reported back as Sea Queen (although now a Trustee in her own right). The event had been a lovely one, although deliberately more low key than in previous years.

As Sea Queen, Jessie was touched how proud her family - and her co-workers - were of her, especially when seeing her in the Sea Queen costume. It had been a wonderful day - although over so quickly. One of the highlights was coming into the harbour and seeing all the crowds waiting for her arrival. The support from the children and attendants was fantastic and the confetti cannons a lovely surprise. She had been very moved by one of the older residents of the community giving her an engraved silver plaque. The family ceilidh held in the evening had been fabulous.

All agreed that it had been a great event, which had involved many members of the community through the generations.

Initial discussions were held as to how to improve communications for next year - so that everyone was aware of what was happening and how people could get involved.

Richard had provisionally agreed with the harbourmaster a date of 17th June 2023 for the next Sea Queen Festival. Charlotte Ambrose is the Sea Queen elect for that year.

11. Any other business - there was no other business.

12. Date and Time of next meeting - 15th September 2022 at 7pm

(post meeting note : Elizabeth Dickson has agreed to host the September Trustees meeting at 9 Rustic Place, opposite the Bowling club)