

MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 11th July 2023 at 7pm.

Held at Anstruther Church

In attendance: Nette Carder, Diana Sykes, Richard Wemyss, Jessie Barnett, Lorna Hutcheon, Catriona MacPherson and Peter Shepherd

Apologies for absence were received from Catherine Wilson, Norrie Hutcheon and Sandy Wilkie

Welcome

Richard Wemyss welcomed everyone to the third AGM of the Cellardyke Trust. The Trust had 13 members in 2022/23.

Minutes of the AGM on 19th May 2022

The draft minutes of the Cellardyke Trust's AGM on 19th May 2022 were agreed as a correct record. This was proposed by Diana Sykes and seconded by Jessie Barnett.

Chairman's Report

Richard Wemyss presented his Chairman's report - which was circulated with the agenda and forms the basis of the Annual Report we are required to submit to OSCR by December 2023.

The Sea Queen Festival had taken place on 25th June 2022 with the crowning of Jessie Barnett (at last!) and had been a great success. Modern boats had joined and entered the harbour - despite the swell. There was a family Ceilidh in the evening which was very well attended.

Fiona and Julia had put in a lot of work for the Harbour phone box which had been very well restored by Sean Dooley. It was now functioning as a gallery - Cellardyke 495. The Trust was grateful to them for their efforts and hard work, which was very much appreciated. Gill Fraser continues to maintain the phone box in John Street for children and it is appreciated by locals and visitors alike. Richard offered thanks to Gill on behalf of the Cellardyke Trust.

The Manx Beauty project had its Expression of Interest to the National Heritage Lottery Fund accepted and Richard would now start the process of putting together a Development Bid.

The situation with regard to the Memorial Garden had changed and the land originally envisaged for the Memorial Garden was no longer available. The situation is now being reviewed.

The website continues to be maintained and the use of analytics to get an idea of traffic and usage of the website was suggested. Jessie Barnett will take a look and she if she can advise.

The Trust was formally launched on 26th November 2022 with a coffee morning, stalls and an exhibition of Sea Queen memorabilia. There was a good turnout and Richard thanked everyone who had helped, participated and attended. The money raised was the only unrestricted funds, apart from membership fees, available to the Cellardyke Trust.

The Chairman's report/Annual Report was noted and will be submitted to OSCR with the financial figures added, after the accounts have been reviewed by FVA.

Treasurers Report

The Treasurer confirmed that payments will be anonymised when they go to OSCR and are put on the OSCR website.

This financial year began with the Trust having £13,521.29 in the bank account and ended with £12,425.78. We began the year with 12 members and ended the year with 13 members.

Out of our total income for the year of £6,080.30, £3,083.33 was from funding activities and donations associated with the Manx Beauty. Of the remainder, £622.50 was from various activities to support the restoration of one of the phone boxes, another £2,244.20 came from donations and fundraising activities - the most significant of which was a £1500.00 donation from the Norah Webber Trust to support the Sea Queen Festival. £130 came from membership fees.

Out of total expenses of £7175.81, £2403.31 was for expenditures associated with the Manx Beauty, £1990.24 for expenditure associated with the restoration of the phone box, while the remaining expenditures are largely associated with the Sea Queen Festival. Our annual insurance premium of £499.59 to cover our public liability, etc., for activities associated with the Trust is one of the main items of expenditure.

Approval of the accounts was proposed by Diana Sykes and seconded by Catriona MacPherson. The accounts were unanimously approved.

They will now be submitted to Fife Voluntary Action for review.

The Treasurer noted that he had inadvertently omitted to file a nil Corporation Tax return to HMRC, having been given unclear advice on this matter. He had paid the fine and donated a £100 to the Cellardyke Trust to cover it.

Election of the Trustees

As required by the constitution, all the Trustees stood down.

Nette Carder, Richard Wemyss, Jessie Barnet, Norrie Hutcheon, Lorna Hutcheon, Sandy Wilkie, Elizabeth Dickson and Catriona MacPherson all agreed to stand as Trustees and were elected unanimously.

Richard Wemyss and all present thanked Peter Shepherd for his work as Treasurer for the Cellardyke Trust. He had been much appreciated as our Treasurer.

Election of the Officers to the positions of Chair, Secretary and Treasurer

It was then proposed that the following Trustees were elected to be office bearers:

Richard Wemyss - Chair

Nette Carder - Secretary

No nominations were received for the position of Treasurer. Peter Shepherd agreed that he would oversee the process of liaison with Fife Voluntary Action for the approval of the 2022/23 accounts. Richard thanked Peter for agreeing to do this.

This was proposed Diana Sykes and Seconded by Catriona MacPherson. The office bearers were duly elected unanimously.

Any other business

There was no other business.

The next meeting of the Trustees was agreed for:

Tuesday 1st August at 7pm at 14 Shore Street.

The AGM closed at 7.41 pm.