

East Haven Together

Meeting of Trustees

Held on 16 July 2018



PRESENT

Ian Bancroft, Christina Lyall, Karen Andrew, Christine Morgan
Nicola Keen, Wendy Murray

| No | ITEM/DISCUSSION | ACTION/WHO |
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| 1 | All Trustees were in attendance. There were no apologies | |
| 2 | <p>Future Annual General Meetings</p> <p>It was agreed that EHT may have to spend more on the hire of a suitable venue out-with Friday evenings and holidays to ensure maximum attendance. This year we were only able to access the Newton Panbride Church Hall on a Friday at the start of the Easter holidays. However, hiring the Library would be over £100. It is possible that a newly refurbished room at the Crows nest might be suitable if it is not regularly booked by next year. However, agreement was reached in principle that funding can be allocated to the cost of hosting the AGM.</p> | |
| 3 | <p>HMRC</p> <p>EHT has had to dedicate a disproportionate amount of time and resources to HMRC. SCIOs are now registered on Companies House web-site which has caused incredible confusion within HMRC. EHT had no choice but to submit a formal complaint about HMRC in May 2018 and this was upheld. However, they have subsequently proved unable to resolve their difficulties necessitating a further complaint. We await the outcome but have kept OSCR informed to ensure that they are aware of the challenges faced by small charities in dealing with HMRC.</p> | WM |
| 4 | <p>Financial Update</p> <p>Christina circulated a spreadsheet with income and projected expenditure up until the end of the year.</p> | CL |
| 5 | <p>Update on Village Activities</p> <p>Walking Group; is no longer operating on a regular basis due to lack of committed interest.</p> <p>Petanque; Continues to run on Friday evenings from 7pm</p> <p>Pop Up Café; This has proved very successful and John continues to hold it on Sunny Sundays</p> <p>Mary's Meals; John has done a power of work to maintain Mary's Meals which has been hugely successful</p> | |
| 6 | <p>Britain in Bloom</p> <p>A list of jobs/work still to be done before the judges visit on 3 August was circulated. Efforts have redoubled this year to</p> | All |

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| | ensure that the village achieves the best award possible in BinB. One of the fisherman, Alan Fyffe has donated a small fiberglass dinghy which he has had steam cleaned for use in BinB. | |
| 7 | <p>Commemorative Benches</p> <p>We have agreed with Angus Council that there are currently enough commemorative benches in the picnic area and along the dunes. Trustees are asked to be aware that East Haven is at a maximum for these benches, should they be approached by members of the public wishing to place one in the area.</p> | All |
| 8 | <p>Charity Governance</p> <p>There has been a lot in the news and in OSCRs own communications recently about fraud and other types of abuse taking place within the charity sector. EHT is a small village charity but nevertheless it is important to note the following;</p> <p><u>Children-Vulnerable Adults</u></p> <p>We do not have responsibility for looking after or providing direct services to children or vulnerable adults so Trustees are not required to be Disclosure Scotland checked. However, it is useful to note that WM and KA do have a current Disclosure Scotland. Disclosures do not in any way prevent abuse taking place so if there are concerns that somebody may be harming children or vulnerable adults we have a duty to report it to the Police.</p> <p><u>Fraud/Theft/Criminal Activity</u></p> <p>If a Trustee suspects any of the above may be taking place within EHT it is crucial that it is discussed with the Lead Trustee immediately. Steps will then be taken to involve OSCR and the Police if necessary. Equally, if a Trustee suspects the Lead Trustee of being involved in any of the above activity then it must be discussed with OSCR. The Police will be involved if an investigation needs to take place.</p> <p><u>General Day to Day Responsibilities</u></p> <p>If Trustees have agreed to carry out certain duties and responsibilities on behalf of the charity and for what-ever reason find themselves unable to carry through on those responsibilities please inform the Lead Trustee at the earliest opportunity.</p> | |
| 9 | <p>AOCB</p> <p>a) It has been necessary to initiate some control over the rabbit population which has exploded this year. Many residents have reported safety concerns for both people and animals, one resident found a rabbit in her house and they have been rampaging through gardens lifting plants for pollinators and generally upsetting the natural eco-</p> | |

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| | <p>balance.</p> <p>b) Beach Award Our beach award assessment was very favourable but identified a couple of issues which have now been resolved; Andy Edward has removed and completely refurbished the dog bin and Craig Lyall used his tractor to lift the rope out of the burn.</p> <p>c) Anti-social behaviour It is necessary for residents to keep an eye on activity at the rear of the car park relating to drug use/dealing. Wendy had a word with a couple of people involved in May and they haven't been back. However, it requires vigilance and close monitoring.</p> <p>d) Britain in Bloom Brochure Carnoustie Golf Links Management kindly donated £775 to print East Haven's Britain in Bloom brochure so it can be distributed to visitors during the Open and over the summer.</p> | |
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