

North Fife Tourism Association AGM

Thursday 20th February 2025, 5.30pm

The Barley House at Lindores, KY14 6HU

Attendees

Andrew Thomson	Linn Williamson	Anna Black	Chloe Milne
Dave Jones-Lofting	Duncan (Tayport Distillery)	Ian Grieg	Shena Poreous
Claduia Noble-Pyott	Ian Sloan	Ninian Stuart	Carry Nurse (Open Studios)
Jimmy Hutchison (Newburgh)	Geenie (Newburgh Handloom Weavers)	Simon Johnson	Sarah Rice
Craig Cameron	Rachel Crawford		

Apologies

Liana Stephens	Moira C Henderson	Cllr Margaret	
		Kennedy	
David Keen VisitScotland	Mairi-Jane Young The Wee Green Bar		

Meeting Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Apologies
- 2. Approval of Minutes of Last AGM
- 3. Chairman's Report
- 4. Treasurer's Report
- 5. Retiral and Election of Directors
 - Chair Andrew Thomson AT IG
 - Vice Chair Moira Henderson
 - Secretary Simon Johnson
 - Treasurer Ian Grieg

- Committee Made of regular attendees of the tourism association meetings
- 6. Any other Competent Business AT
- 1. Welcome and Apologies by AT
 - a. Welcome and apologies from Andrew. Invites a round table introduction with a oneor two-line statement introducing yourself and what you do.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of Last AGM by AT
 - a. Dave requested a name correction from previous minutes and apart from that the minutes were approved.
- 3. Chairman's Report by AT
 - a. Thank you to the committee for all their work and for all our hosts over the year
 - b. Visitor levy update Andrews personal opinion after an engagement call is it is happening leaving us with questions of how it will happen. It's a Levy with no further detail yet. Fife is currently talking like they are not going to be quick to implement with the mindset of let others go first and figure it out with the aim to learn from their issues implementing it. Current discussion around
 - i. How do we collect?
 - ii. How do we pay?
 - iii. What to use it for?
 - iv. Community funds?

It is very early in these discussions with no official answer. Linn Williamson believes it will most likely 2028 before it is introduced in fife as St. Andrews Open is 2027.

- c. The Three Estates in Cupar are looking for support. AT has been in discussions with them on how we can help through the website
- d. Newburgh Boat Taxi Very interesting concept. A very powerful boat needed to deal with currents as River Tay is tidal. Capacity of 20 30 foot passengers. What other connectivity can we offer when people arrive. It is in very early days of discussion. Looking like a 50/50 chance of going ahead.
- e. A new google account for a central point for all correspondence with a new email address.

4. Treasurer's Report by IG

a. A general summary of the notes as accounts will be attached to the minutes. We have money in the bank so we want ideas and suggestion on how to bring people in to North Fife. Started the year with roughly 11k. Spent roughly 7k on Flint River

website updates and management as well as the printing of the first round of Z maps. We had an income of roughly 5k.

- 5. Retiral and Election of Directors lead by Linn.
 - a. All Directors stand down.
 - Chair Ian Greig proposes Andrew Thomson gets re-elected as Chair and is seconded by Sarah Rice. No other nominations. Andrew Thomson is elected Chair.
 - ii. Vice Chair Andrew Thomson proposes Moira C Henderson gets re-elected as Vice Chair. As Moira is absent from the meeting it is agreed that once she agrees she will be re-elected as Vice Chair.
 - iii. Secretary Dave Jones-Lofting proposes Simon Johnson gets re-elected as Secretary. Chloe Milne seconds. Simon Johnson is re-elected as Secretary.
 - iv. Treasurer Dave Jones-Lofting proposes Ian Greig gets re-elected as Treasurer. Ninian Stuart Seconds. Ian Greig is re-elected as Treasurer.
 - b. For all other committee members Andrew Thomson suggests keeping a fluid group so allow people to come and go for subcommittees for projects.
- 6. Andrews closes the meeting.