

STONEHAVEN TOLBOOTH ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH 2015 AT
INVERCARRON RESOURCE CENTRE.

Present: Cressida Coates, Gwynne Stewart, George Strang, Jim Bruce, Dennis Collie, Clare Thomas

Apologies: Andrew Newton, Tom McPherson, Ian Balgowan and Raymond Milne

Minutes: a) The Minutes of the last meeting held on 4th February were accepted.
b) Matters arising:

1. Contact details to be supplied to AN. CC will email the 2 ladies to ask if they are still want to volunteer.
2. Invoice. Has been chased but not received.
3. Stock take of third party items. This will be done at the end of this month (DC).
4. Letter to the Lions is in hand.
5. Castle tea towels not received. GSt will follow up.
6. Letter has been written to Ricky Greenhough.
7. Contact with Mintlaw done. (?)
8. Cloth bags were ordered and have been received.
9. Badge for Marjory has been prepared by DC.

Chair's Report:

The wedding was held on 7th March which went very well. A big thank you to all who helped on the day. Please note for future reference that the bride is known as Victoria not Vicky. The couple will supply a photo for the museum. There has been another enquiry about a wedding to take place in July. The Council are preparing a brochure about wedding venues and the Museum will have a photo in it.

The Tolbooth Times has been sent to the usual mailing list including the new Arts and Heritage Manager (Carol Leathley). GS asked that it was sent to Helen Chavez at Mintlaw. The Museum needs a bit of a tidy and CC would email volunteers and ask them to dust if they have a quiet moment.

There is a STP meeting on 19 March which CC will attend regarding the Harbour Feasibility Study.

The Harbour Festival is on 30 August.

There is slow uptake for the April Rota at the moment.

It was noted that the Volunteer Open Day had not been very successful.

CC would make some new dino sheets and would leave at shop on 20 March.

Treasurer Report:

Total income for period from last meeting was £2470 including £528 donations. Expenditure over the same period was £1216.

Secretary Report: (by email)

Willie Munro is to be the Council contact for anything relating to the new build. There is nothing in the budget for interns this year. IB will be the speaker at Probus. There has been a request from the architect for £13k for the next stage. The clock tower has received a further grant to enable it to be completed.

Curator Report:

New cases have been installed. Mintlaw has been contacted about returning the fishing items and the Queen Mother's key. It was decided that they would also be asked to return the law and order items for at least one year to enable the Museum to source other Law and order memorabilia. These items will be delivered on 7 April. GS and JB will attend a meeting at the Transport Museum on 19 March for Aberdeen city and shire Museums. Corners would be obtained for the glass cases.

Shop Report:

The bags have arrived and there are still a few volunteer bags available. Stock level is fine at the moment although postcards may need to be ordered. GSt will chase outstanding tea towels.

Events:

Statoil are not now coming. CT would write to more groups about visits. Ct would try and prepare a quiz for older children who come in groups.

Clock Tower:

Work has stopped and there is no further information other than that a new grant has been made.

Memory Boxes:

It was noted that Mintlaw has some already made. Suggestion made that need more volunteers to run this. Decision put on hold until autumn.

Building:

See AN's update.

AOCB

None

Next meetings:

Wednesday 29th April

Wednesday 27th May

Wednesday 24th June

Clare Thomas