

## Stirlingshire Voluntary Enterprise

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# **Stirlingshire Voluntary Enterprise Ltd (SVE)**

Scottish Charity no. SC0 41875 - Company No SC387876 Minutes of Annual General Meeting (AGM)

On Monday 29 August 2022 12:00 - Microsoft Team Meeting

#### **Attendees**

Beth Hamilton Action in Mind

Carolyn Dick Dates N Mates (C-Change)
Charlotte Johnson Thornhill Community Hall

Dan Gunn Leighton Library

Donald Fraser Killin and District Volunteer Car Scheme

Ewelina Chin HSTAR Scotland

John Clarke Dates N Mates (C-Change)

Kelly Tulloch Healthcare Improvement Scotland – Community

Engagement

Narek Bido Recovery Scotland
Patricia Cumming Start Up Stirling
Pauline Roberts Stirling Council
Rae Wilson Balfron Lunch Club
Rebecca Quilliam Stirling Women's Aid

Sherry McIntosh Central Scotland Chinese and Elderly Project

Stephen Cox TNL Community Fund

Una Macfadyen PLUS FV Alan Clevett SVE Anne Knox SVE Caitlyn McDermid **SVE Graham Struthers** SVF Jamie Donald SVE Ken Butler SVE Liliana King SVE Liz Rowlett SVE Rachel Keenan SVE Rachel Johnston SVE Susan Fullerton SVE Tracey Nicholson SVE Vivienne Chan SVE

# **Apologies**

Amanda Namey Neighbourhood Watch Scotland0

Amanda Arkell Home Start Stirling Jean Cowie Stirling Council

Mark Armstrong Neighbourhood Watch Scotland

David Wilson SVE
Danielle McPhilemy SVE
Denise Kelly SVE
Emma MacGregor SVE

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## Agenda:

- Welcome and Apologies
- Opening Remarks: Councillor Ewan Dillon
- Minutes of Last Meeting 23 August 2021 & Approval
- Special Resolutions Adoption of new Memorandum & Articles of Association
- Chair's Report Rachel Keenan
- Treasurer's Report Susan Fullerton
- Proposals
  - Adoption of Accounts
  - Adoption of Auditors
- Election of Directors
- Future Plans
- AOCB
- Close

#### **Welcome & Introductions**

Rachel Keenan (SVE Chair) welcomed all to SVE's AGM.

#### **Councillor Ewan Dillon**

Councillor Ewan Dillon Elected Member Ward 3 – Dunblane and Bridge of Allan opened today's AGM.

Councillor Ewan Dillon is the Vice Convenor of Community Planning and Regeneration Committee and Vice Convenor of Children and Young People Committee.

Councillor Dillon thanked all the volunteers for their hard work over the last year. Councillor Dillon reaffirmed Stirling Councils commitment to work alongside the Third Sector and all involved organisations.

Over the last two years, the Third Sector has played a pivotal role in strengthen Stirling's communities and worked hard to get through the COVID-19 crisis. r.

Volunteering brings so many benefits, not just to the communities, but also to the volunteer themselves. The skills you learn when volunteering will stay with you forever.

Councillor Dillon is committed to work with the Education Services to encourage more and young people to give up their time and volunteer.

# Minutes of Last meeting 2021

Proposed by Rachel Keenan and seconded by Alan Clevett.

### **Special Resolutions**

For the Adoption of new Memorandums and Articles of Association.

Proposed by Rachel Keenan and Susan Fullerton Seconded.

# **Chair's Report**

Rachel provided an overview of her report.

Rachel thanked everyone for coming along to celebrate the work of SVE throughout 2021-2022.

SVE has continued to develop and deliver its support to the Third Sector in Stirling and has engaged with a broad range of stakeholders to ensure that the third sector is at the heart of decision-making.

SVE have assisted the Scottish Government with distributing £140,000 of funding to 26 innovative projects and community organisations working on sustainable and dignified access to food.

During Volunteers Week 2021, SVE launched the Volunteer Portal. The one stop shop for volunteering. 572 providers are registered on the portal and 1068 volunteers are registered. Volunteering opportunities have continued to rise steadily to pre Covid levels. More information, can be found here

The Stirling's Alive with Volunteering project has continued throughout 2021-2022. Since the launch of the Volunteering Portal, the next stage of the project will focus on developing a volunteering action plan for Stirling.

Key achievements for 2021/22

- 46% increase on Saltire Awards and 77.3% increase on organisations using Saltire to accredit young volunteers
- Supported 105 organisations by providing various support e.g. training, governance etc
- Launched Stirling Community Lottery with over 40 organisations receiving unrestricted funds
- Launched The Volunteer Portal
- SVE hosted a 4 day Forth Valley Third Sector Conference in partnership with CTSI and CVS Falkirk
- Depute First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Covid Recover John Swinney and the 3 council leaders for Forth Valley area took part in the final Question and Answer session
- 345 people attended Stirling's Third Sector Forums
- Assisted in the distribution £24,000 of Community Adult Based Learning Fund
- Assisted the Scottish Government alongside CTSI in the distribution of £384,830 of Community Health and Wellbeing Fund

- 89% of SVE's members state they feel more connected with our networks and forums
- 100% of public partners have said we have extensive knowledge of the Third Sector
- Brain Connell has stepped down from the Board of Directors earlier this year
- Kenneth Butler will be stepping down from today's AGM.

Rachel thank Brian and Kenneth for all the work they have done and wished them well for the future.

Natalie is on maternity leave, Anne Knox has become Interim Chief Officer, and Denise Kelly has become Interim Chief Executive Officer.

Thank you to all staff at SVE for their hard work and challenges faced through 2021-2022

## Presentation of Accounts year-end 31st March 2022

Susan Fullerton introduced SVE"s Accounts from 2021-2022

Susan took over the role as treasurer from 2021 - 2022

- Total Funds 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 £368,905
- Expenditure £352, 399
- Grant funding remains main source from Scottish Government £182,400

First proposal – adoption of the 2021/22 accounts. Proposed by Susan Fullerton and seconded by Alan Clevett

Second Proposal – appointment of Independent Examiner Brett Nicoll Associates. Proposed by Susan Fullerton and seconded by Graham Struthers.

#### **Re-election of Trustees**

**Election of Trustees:** 

Rachel Keenan Susan Fullerton David Wilson Graham Struthers Alan Clevett Emma MacGregor

Proposed by Anne Knox and seconded by Narek Bido.

Kenneth Butler is stepping down as trustee.

#### **SVE's Future Plans**

### **Anne Knox**

SVE colleagues are located back in the office at the Barracks in Stirling. Face to face meetings have resumed.

SVE are continuing the Volunteering for All programme. The purpose of Volunteering for All is to create volunteering opportunities for all of Scotland to flourish through increased wealth building and wellbeing.

Third Sector Interface Network Online Training Programme is nearly finalised and is hoping to be launched by March 2023.

### **Human Rights and Equalities Project**

Liz Rowlett gave a brief presentation on Human Rights and Equalities Project.

The Scottish Government is committed to an equality human rights approach. The definition of this is; A Scotland that is inclusive, free from discrimination, and where the human rights of everyone are respected, protected and fulfilled.

The Scottish Government launched the Human Rights and Equalities Fund back in 2020. The fund is designed to help TSI's and the wider sector to become Equality and Human Rights champions.

GCVS and EVOC together, have put in a bid for some funding to help third sector interfaces understand how they can put Human Rights at the centre of their practice. GCVS and EVOC conducted some research with one to one discussions with TSI's and intermediary organisations alongside some survey work. They found that organisations had barriers that included cost, staff capacity and accessibility. GCVS and EVOC are planning to offer training and resources.

### **Community Links Workers Project**

Liz Rowlett gave a brief overview of Community Link Workers.

Community Links Workers (CLW) are non-clinical social practitioners embedded in general practices. The aim to address the socio-economic and personal circumstances that affect patient's health and wellbeing.

Using a person cantered approach, CLW support people to set goals, identify issues and barriers, and give them as much information as possible so that they can chose what works for them.

The Scottish Government aim to have access to a CLW in every GP Surgery within the next two years. The Scottish Government fund some national programmes in the past. These were:

- Link Worker Programme piloted in 2014 in 100 'Deep End Practices'
- 2017 early adopter of sites funded (Dundee, Glasgow, Inverclyde, Edinburgh and North Ayrshire)
- Community Link Workers integrated in the Primary Care Improvement Plan and implemented across Scotland.

Clackmannanshire and Stirling restarted the Community Link Workers Programme. Both TSI's welcomed to new CLW works in July 2022. Danielle McPhilemy who will be based in Fallin and Cowie, and Raija Darley who will be based in Ochil Medical Practice in Clackmannanshire Community Health Centre.

#### **AOCB**

No other competent Business

### **Closing Remarks**

Rachel thanked everyone for attending today's AGM and gave special thanks to Councillor Dillon for his opening remarks.