

Minutes of Meeting of Stobswell Forum 06/12/17

Present - Colin Clement, David MacDougall, Sandra Mitchell, Mairi Scott, Lorraine Clement, Elizabeth Crighton, Stuart Fairweather, Val Kane

Apologies - Nichola Fraser

Minutes of Previous Meeting - Proposed by Sandra, Seconded by David

Closure of RBS on Albert Street - Much discussion around the table with the following actions being agreed:

1. Speak to Credit Unions regarding expanding their presence in Stobswell
Action Stuart
2. Speak to Manager in RBS - ask for clarification of published customer numbers using RBS, if they're leaving an ATM, if they own the building and what is proposed for that, possibility of Mobile Banking (Van) **Action David and Colin**
3. Speak to Unite Union **Action Stuart**
4. Speak to Council/Economic Development (Elaine Cox) **Action Stuart**
5. Send letter to Councillors, MSPs, MPs, Unite Union (Dougie McGuire) RBS Chief Executive **Action Elizabeth**
6. Speak to Local Post Office regarding potential problems and opportunities for them **Action Colin**
7. Try to co-opt a local Trader onto this "Project"
8. Make up petition **Action Colin** and distribute to all shops on Albert Street
Action Lorraine and Mairi
9. Arrange and publicise an Open Meeting on 6/3/18 to discuss outcomes of aforementioned actions

Elizabeth Crighton was co-opted on to the Stobswell Forum Committee by a unanimous vote.

Finance - We should be clearer by the next Forum meeting of where we are with the Bank account as the funds which were clawed back from the various unspent grants will have been repaid.

Tracker - Elizabeth suggested we start a tracker form for items raised at previous meetings which are still ongoing, to ensure none are overlooked at subsequent meetings. This Tracker Form can also be used for the Newsletter, promoting issues fulfilled by the Stobswell Forum **Action Lorraine**

Library Article for Stobswell Voice - Val to ask Pam or Stuart about Alistair's article for input into the next Stobswell Voice **Action Val**

Winter Stobswell Voice will be ready and distributed next week. Spring Voice due beginning of March 2018. Deadline for articles 21/2/18. **Action all**

Committee. Mairi loaned her poetry book to Colin for perusal and inclusion in the Spring Voice.

Christmas Lights Switch On - Val mentioned that we missed a huge opportunity to engage the community. Everyone agreed it was badly publicised and organised and we must endeavour to improve for next year. To be discussed at Stobfest Planning Meeting 11/12/17 6.30pm Arthurstone Library.

Funding Applications for Stobfest - Everyone to look at the "Cost to Stobswell Forum" column on the spreadsheet and provide quotes/invoices as appropriate, as the funding applications should be completed sooner rather than later. Quotes to be brought to the next Stobfest Planning Meeting. **Action all Committee Members**

**Date of Next Meeting - Stobfest Planning Meeting 11/12/17 6.30pm
Arthurstone Library**

- Stobswell Events Meeting 08/01/2018 4.00pm

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- Stobswell Forum Meeting 09/01/18 6.30pm

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