



## MINUTES OF FORRES AREA FORUM AGM

WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020

### PRESENT

<b>Sandra MacLennan, Chair (SM)</b>	<b>David Parker, Vice Chair (DP)</b>
<b>John Bremner, Treasurer (JB)</b>	<b>Councillor Lorna Creswell (LC)</b>
<b>Angela Sutherland (AS)</b>	<b>David Edgar (DE)</b>
<b>Debbie Herron (DH)</b>	<b>Jo Smithson (JS)</b>
<b>Mike Scott (MS)</b>	<b>Tina Coffey, Minutes (TC)</b>

### APOLOGIES

<b>Brian McDonald (BM)</b>	
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<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
1. Welcome from Chair	Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.	
2. Minutes from AGM 2019	The minutes of the 2019 AGM had been circulated, there being no questions or objections the minutes were proposed by David E and seconded by David P.	
3. Chair Persons Update	Area Forums are a platform for local people and organisations to come together and an opportunity to comment on planning and delivery of services and finds out about local concerns and listens to issues. It has been a quiet year with no funding to distribute. FAF is funded by the Community Engagement Group and we have been raising our own funds to boost finances i.e. coffee mornings. Major spend of funding was on sending Moray representatives to Expo which is a good way to publicise the whole of Moray and Forres. We have continued to network with other Moray wide groups such as the Moray Forum. We were partners in the Moray Towns Partnership which has funded us in previous years, it has met less frequently over the past year.	

	<p>Transport Seminar is attended by Angela, currently in abeyance at present as unable to track down minutes of the last meeting.</p> <p>FAF works with FACT and is in a strong position as the town hall has been taken over by the community this allows entry to the Moray Federation of Community Halls and Associations.</p> <p>FAF also participates in Money for Moray and we hear from local initiatives such as the A96 Group and Findhorn Bay Arts.</p> <p>Thanks go to Tina and John and those who attend for sustainable support over the years. Ian Todd has retired and the Chair will send a card with good wishes for his retirement.</p> <p>Query due to Ian's retirement would a representative from the Community Support Unit be available to attend FAF meetings, Secretary to check.</p> <p>Looking to the future – Spirit of Community.</p>	<p>SM</p> <p>TC</p>
4. Treasurers Report	<p>The bank account stands at £2,652.62 with copies of the accounts available. There was one question regarding some expenditure costs, these were for accommodation and travel costs for 4 – 5 people to attend Expo. Admin money received from Moray Council, £1,142 received in December for 6 months. The accounts were accepted as correct, proposed by Debbie H and seconded by David E.</p>	
5. Election of Office Bearers	<p>At this point Councillor Creswell was asked to take over the post of Chair. There was one nomination for the post of Chair, Sandra Maclennan was nominated by Debbie and seconded by John. There was one nomination for the post of Vice Chair, David Parker was nominated by David E and seconded by Mike. There was one nomination for the post of Treasurer, John Bremner was nominated by Sandra and seconded by David E. There was one nomination for the post of Secretary, Tina Coffey was nominated by Sandra and seconded by Angela.</p>	
6. AOB	<p>There was no other business to be discussed.</p>	
	<p>There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.15pm.</p>	