

Friends of Milngavie Reservoir AGM – Draft Note

Held on: Thursday 18th February 2021

Zoom meeting

In attendance: Eddy Yacoubian (Chair), Lynn Cree (Secretary), Lon Edwards, Murray Forbes, Gillian McVitie, Alan Douglas, Eric Gotts (Milngavie Heritage Society), Philip Graves (Mugdock Association), Mick O'Donnell (Mugdock Association), Robin Brown, Arvind Salwan, Neil Murray, Antony Coia (Open Water Rescue is a Royal Life Saving Society UK Rescue Unit Glasgow unit).

Apologies: Cameron Simpson, Iain Cree, Barry Davison, John Wilson.

Minute of previous AGM: Held Tuesday 7th January 2020

The minute of the previous AGM was approved by: Eric Gotts, seconded by: Gillian McVitie.

Chairmans report:

The Chair's provided a summary on FoMR activities for this year. The report is available on FoMR website and Facebook.

There was discussion around SW not providing FoMR Committee members with contractor specifications to scrutinise and provide feedback. Gillian McVitie gave an example of Lovers Walk path work (and specification) failing to deliver any improvement to pooling water.

Alan Douglas emphasised that FoMR members were the eyes and ears of Scottish Water but were not always seen by Scottish Water as helpful.

The opportunity to embark on volunteering around the reservoir (finally) was discussed. Arvind Salwan raised the possibility of seeking funding/grants for these activities and that much of this work would be targeting improvements in mental health.

Discussion on Burncrooks raised issues of further road closures (Mugdock road) with no communication with local residents (Mugdock Association) most impacted by the continued disruption.

The annual report was approved by: Alan Douglas, seconded by: Gillian McVitie.

Financial statement:

No movement on funds. Funds £1214.00

Election of Committee members:

Eddy advised all current elected members were willing to remain in post. As stated previously, there remains one vacancy. Eddy emphasised a need to recruit someone who can provide professional skills/expertise in surveying/engineering fields to ensure FoMR can continue to monitor future works /projects proposed by SW are carried out to the standard required.

AOB:

FoMR Committee received three requests from members of issues they wished to be raised at the AGM. Two FoMR members were not in attendance and Eddy advised he would make contact with each person individually to discuss their issues and agree any subsequent actions.

1. Eric Gotts: Milngavie Heritage Society update

Eric thanked FoMR for providing him with a copy of our submission to EDC in regard to EDC Local Plan consultation exercise. Eric also flagged that there was a further consultation exercise by EDC on Historic and Environment aspects. The consultation timescale had been extended until 31st May.

2. Antony Coia (Open Water Rescue is a Royal Life Saving Society UK Rescue Unit Glasgow unit)

Antony advised signage to address water safety at Milngavie Reservoir would benefit from being updated. Lynn agreed to pass onto Antony FoMR contacts engaged in progressing SW Interpretation Boards project.

Meeting closed at 8pm

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