

Minutes of the 29th Annual General Meeting of the Ramblers Association

Strathkelvin Group held Online Using ZOOM

On Thursday 18th November 2021

Present: James Lawson. Ann Martin, Neil Kitchener, Christine Kitchener, Barbara Martin, Stuart Ferguson, Evelyn Leishman, Archie Leishman, Marjory Dunn, Martha Thom, Mary Brown, Ann Bain, Robert Bain, Anne Wilkie, Bob Cole, Iain Walker, Shirley Cowan, Aileen McLay, Jenny Burgon, Kathleen Brolly, Elke Hinton, Margaret Gibb, Moira Lang.

- 1. Welcome:** Jim welcomed everyone to the 29th Strathkelvin Group AGM.
- 2. Apologies:** Marion Myatt, Joan Darling, Hilary Sneddon, Mary Rocks, Carol Jakar, John Hinton, Mary Campbell, Gordon Brown.
- 3. Introductions:** Once again due to Covid-19 the AGM is held on-line using ZOOM. This is the second Strathkelvin Ramblers AGM to be held online making use of ZOOM and is hosted by Strathkelvin Ramblers. The booklet containing the agenda, 2020 AGM Minutes, Annual Reports and Accounts was emailed to members. Those without email were sent notification of the AGM by post.
- 4. Minutes of the 28th Annual General Meeting:** These were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Anne Wilkie; Seconded by Barbara Martin.
- 5. Matters Arising:** None
- 6. Chairperson's Report on behalf of the Committee:**

The report list all the current members of the committee and the Programme Subcommittee.

Copies of the Treasurers Report and Accounts shows our finances are healthy.

Social Events have not resumed as yet due to ongoing Covid-19 restrictions. However, there is light at the end of the tunnel and a Christmas Lunch at the Glazert House Hotel in December is planned.

Walks have resumed however there are restrictions on car sharing which are causing problems. Both the High Walks and Short Thursday Walks are up and running with a walk every week. However, easier Saturday Walks are proving a problem due to a shortage of walk leaders and car sharing restrictions there has been only one easier walk a month. Programme Co-ordinator is issuing walk details on a weekly basis and Webmaster adds them to Ramblers Walk Finder.

The Footpaths Report shows what is being done regarding local paths.

Discussion on Annual Report – a long discussion of the issues around walks and suggestions put forward by members took place – e.g., lack of easy walks on Saturdays, Covid-19 restrictions, Lateral Flow Tests, when will we get back to normal.

- 7. Motions:** None

8. Election of Committee Members and Representatives:

Election of Committee Members and Officers:

ELECTION OF HONORARY OFFICERS & INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Position	Candidate
Chairperson	James Lawson
Vice Chairperson	Vacant
Secretary	Martha Thom
Minute Secretary	Vacant
Treasurer	Robert Bain
Programme Co-Ordinator	Neil Kitchener
Social Events Co-ordinator	Christine Kitchener
Membership Secretary	Stuart Ferguson
Transport Convenor	Robert Bain
Access Officer	James Lawson
Halls Convenor	Barbara Martin
Webmaster	Archie Leishman
Ordinary Member	Anne Wilkie
Ordinary Member	Marjory Dunn
Independent Examiner	Richard Britton

ELECTION of GROUP REPRESENTATIVES to NORTH STRATHCLYDE AREA COUNCIL

Position	Candidate
Representative 1	Vacant
Representative 2	Vacant
Representative 3	Vacant

ELECTION OF GROUP REPRESENTATIVES TO SCOTTISH COUNCIL

Position	Candidate
Delegate	Archie Leishman.
Observer	James Lawson

All the above were elected unopposed with no dissention from members present.

The Chairperson congratulated Martha Thom on being elected as the Group Secretary and all those re-elected.

Chairman thanked Ann Martin for all the work done over the years on the Committee and the Programme Sub-Committee. It is very much appreciated.

9. No Speaker.

10. Any Other Competent Business (AOCB)

Notification: North Strathclyde Area AGM is on ZOOM on Thursday, 20th January 2022 @ 07:00 for 07:15 start.

There being no further business the Chairperson closed the meeting thanking the committee for all their hard work throughout the year in keeping the Group functioning by attending ZOOM On-line Meetings and promoting walks.

11. Close: 08:18 pm

James Lawson (Jim)

Strathkelvin Ramblers Chairperson